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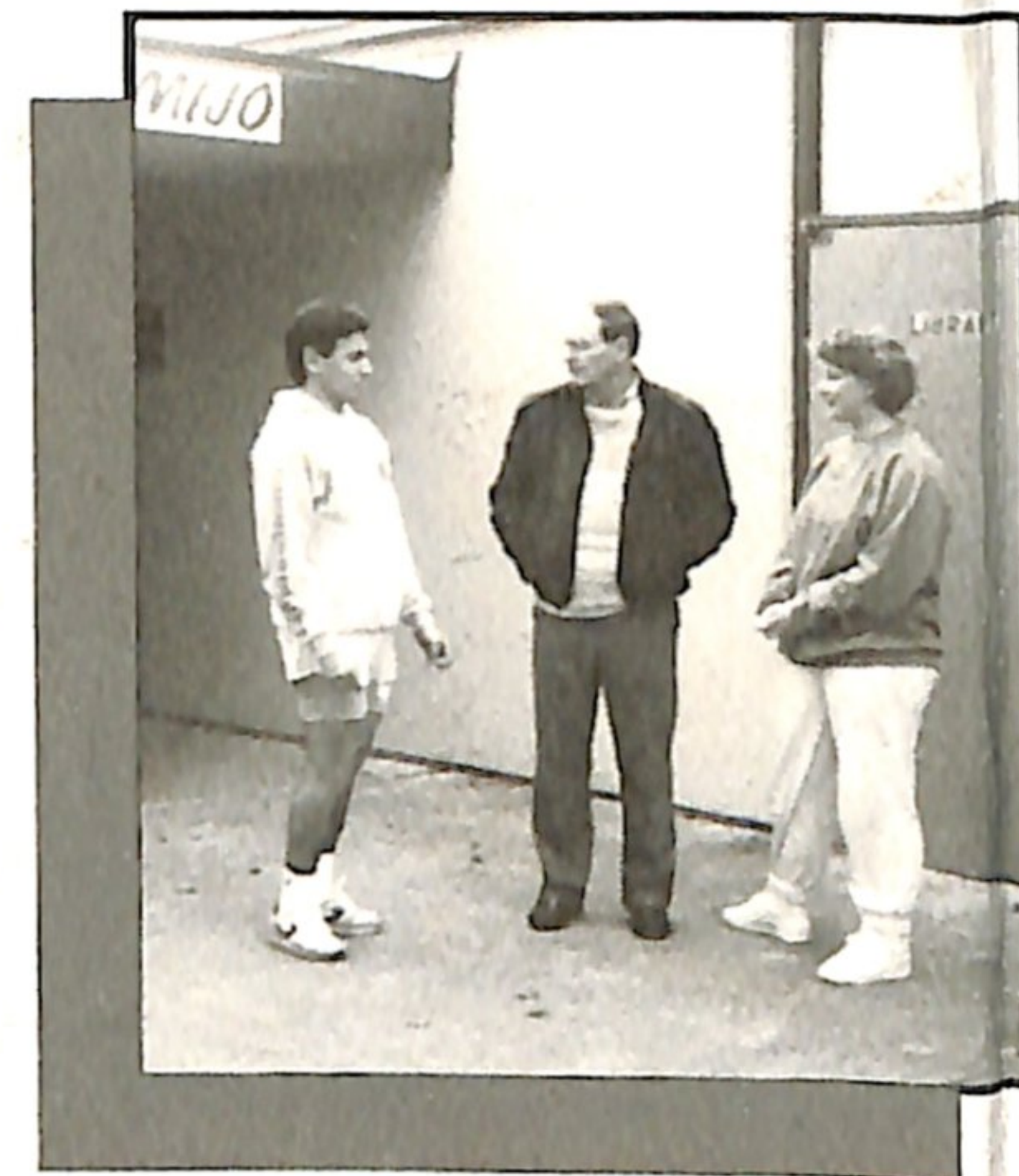
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Opening

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It was the beginning of a new school year, with new students and a new senior class, to take the school into it's second century. Principal Leo Petty **sets the pace** for Melanie Schoenborn (Australia) and Kasinsky Martins (Brazil), two AFS students, by explaining what they might encounter while attending Armijo High School.



Student Life

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Yes, there was more to a student's life than writing and books. Model Deanna Boothe **led the way** by modeling current fashions from Macy's. Did you really think the only thing in a teen's life was school?



Academics

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Work, work, work that is all the teachers and students do around here. Alicia Payne, Susan Durney, Maryann Curtis, and Ed Mandin shared the burden of thinking of ways for this their students to **make the grade** in class.

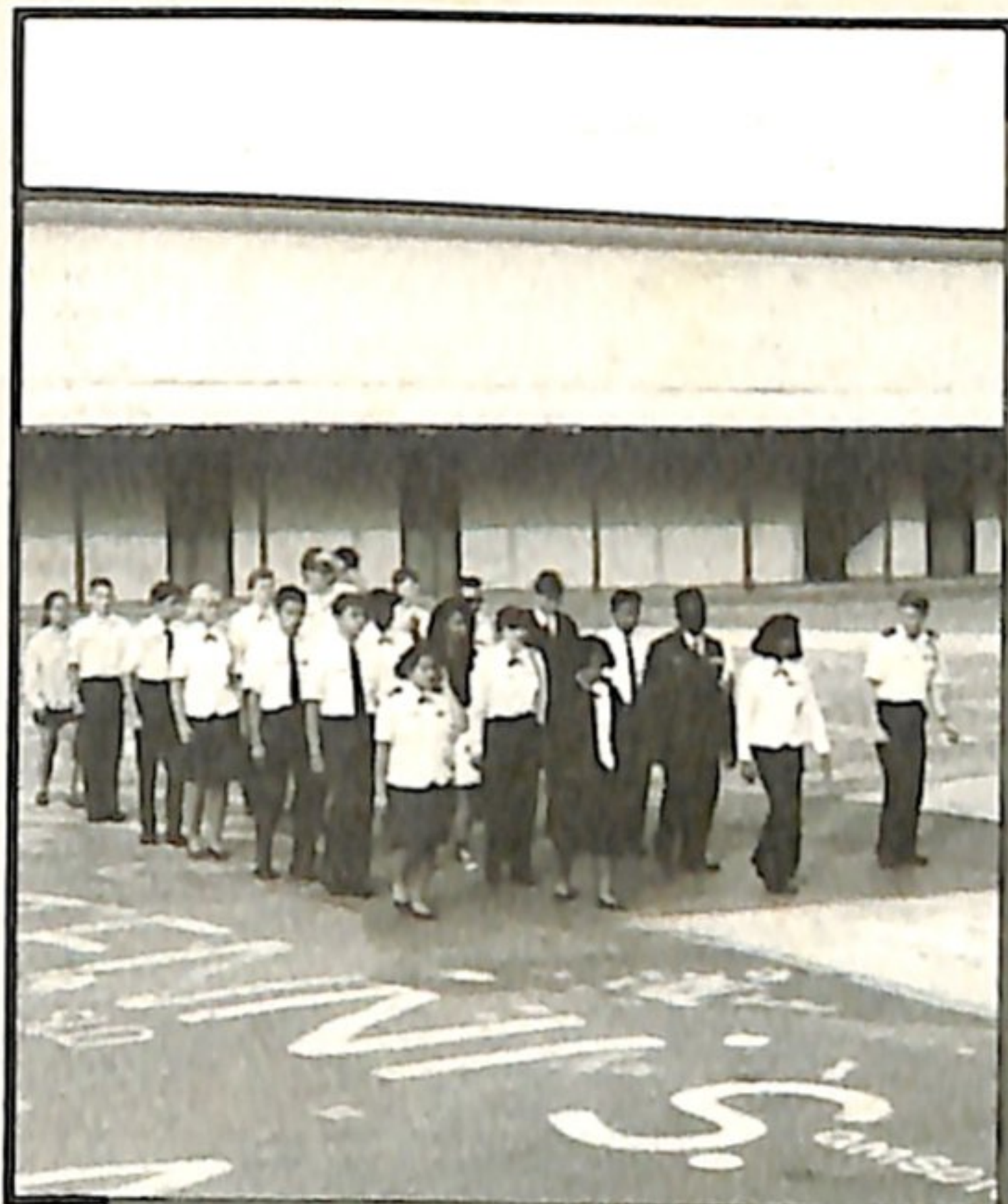


Clubs and Organizations

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There were so many clubs and organizations to choose from that students had trouble just deciding which one to join. When you **found your place**, like Daniel Ramey and Wyatt Winnie of the Drama Club, learned that membership really does have it's privileges.





Classes

The school had a great variety of people in the student body in at every level from seniors to freshmen. These R.O.T.C. students expressed what it takes to **reach the top** of their squadron by practicing marching techniques.

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Sports

All students had the opportunity to play the sport of the choice and took the challenge of going the distance mentally as well as physically. Undefeated singles player Janie Briggs could one day **take the gold** in the 1996 Olympics for her tennis skills.

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Ads

This year the yearbook staff was supported enthusiastically by Solano county including the staff of Marie Calenders. The 1991-92 La Mazela Staff would like to **take the time** to look at all those who supported us with their time and money.

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Closing

Just as Mark Thomas completed the end of his run, the year also came to an end. Next year, there once again, will be new students and a new senior class. To the 100th graduating class, "Good Luck." Remember to keep on **winning the race**.

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Mike,



what the fuck is up? well we're almost out of this fuckin english class with Miss Padeszy (Thanx God). cause im tellin you it was hell tryin to pass htp class. But we're still dope when we wor that trial. Have fun this summer (and dont get jumped to many times) nah yk. By next year you'll probably be with fuckin curse ya know yall like each other. stay safe. hope you pass at least some of your classes this year. . . .

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◆ Ready to set the pace as the second century begins for the student body are Super Armijo Man, Eric James and Super Sidekick, Keith McNeil. They made their debut at the Homecoming Game and continued to lead throughout a "spirited" year.

◆ While waiting for the coals to heat before putting burgers on the grill, these football fans warmed themselves up. Mike Nevels, Ryan Estella, Reed Gomes, Matt Wagar, David Tapp, Kristen Beckerdite, Clark Matthiesen, and Jimmy Marshall, enjoyed a tailgate party in the parking lot before a home football game. "We all had a good time because it gave us something to do before the game to raise our spirits," David Tapp commented.

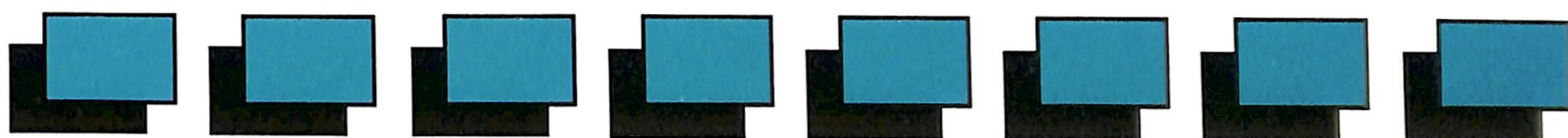
Senior Drew Peterson and his brother, Scott, freefall in the early portion of their sky-dive. They fell for 30 seconds (about 1 mile) at 120 MPH. "Bungy cord jumping cannot compare to the feeling of flying 10,000 feet from the ground," said Drew.



Breakin'

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Mold



Every year, new ideas and concepts are tried out on campus to help accommodate for the needs and desires of the student body. Entering into the second century gave everyone on campus the opportunity to try out brand new experiences to get this century started in a positive way.

One of the first adjustments this year was the introduction of split lunches, an attempt to help solve overcrowding. Tailgate parties were added to the sporting calendar and a ten member freshmen cheerleading squad was elected.

The pilot program, Integrated Core Curriculum (ICC) enjoyed its second year. The program this year was available to both freshmen and sophomores. ICC continued to offer its students a unique learning situation and brought all involved, much satisfaction. Ms Susan Durney shares, "I get a lot of satisfaction from seeing what my students are capable of doing." Another pilot program was the Sober Graduation party on campus.

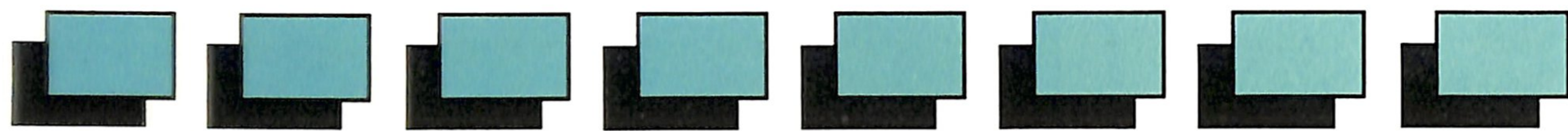
Filling the parking lot this year, Four Wheel Drives seemed to be the student driver's choice. On foot a variety of modes were used for book transportation such as: backpacks on one or two shoulders, duffel bags, briefcases, or just lugging everything under one arm.

Although the future is eagerly anticipated, respect for the past and its traditions is held as a high priority. With this in mind, Armijo will continue to go on 'Breakin' The Mold.'

♦ Is this a real elephant? Junior Megan Donnellan learned what it's like to pet a real elephant at Marine World Africa U.S.A. "It was nice getting that close to an animal on the endangered species list," said Megan.



Keepin' THE Faith



When someone mentions the name Armijo, the school colors of royal purple and gold enter one's mind, along with the many traditions preserved over the years.

The last one hundred and one years have played great service to such traditions as Homecoming Week, where candidates were presented to their parents in a beautiful ceremony. The prom, Senior Tea, and a second Homecoming during the basketball season were other ways students continued along the path set by alumni.

Throughout the year many rallies and dances were held and at the end of the year, the seniors were given the opportunity to leave their mark by painting the asphalt. This is a very unique tradition, that leaves them free to express their four years of high school.

The tradition of excellence continued to be upheld this year in academics, athletics and contributions to the community. When the Oakland Fire Storm burned 3,000 homes and left many with only the clothes on their backs, 186 boxes of supplies were quickly collected and distributed to fire victims. The blood drive was also a big success once again this year.

For many years, has been a multi-cultural school and this mixture brings with it many ideas and values that compliment each other. It's all summed up by Mr. Dan Harrison, "Because we have more diverse students here we have more diverse thinking." This diversity is the tradition on which we base Keepin' The Faith.

◆ Keepin' up with the tradition of painting the asphalt. Senior Stephanie Janci leaves her message for the future graduates.





▲ Mascot Jenny Feins screams encouragement while Barbara Hodge intently watches the action on the field. "The feeling inside is unexplainable!" exclaims Jenny. "I believe this spirit has always been in Armijo and only gets better."

◆ Pausing briefly, the cheerleaders catch their breath. Cheerleading is a tradition for these students to express their spirit and instill pride in our school. "It's always been up to the cheerleaders to help bring out that spirit that lingers in Armijo," said Varsity pom, Natalie Remedi.

The importance of being a leader is to break down the existing limits and set higher goals. All students are leaders in their own unique way. Sometimes being a leader is difficult, but the rewards are often worth it. "Leadership is shown through a variety of ways. One way is how we pulled together to help the victims of the Oakland Fire Storm," says Desiree Wilson. William Meyers feels that "Leadership is shown by making sacrifices. An example of this is the quantity of blood donated each year during the blood drive to save the lives of others."

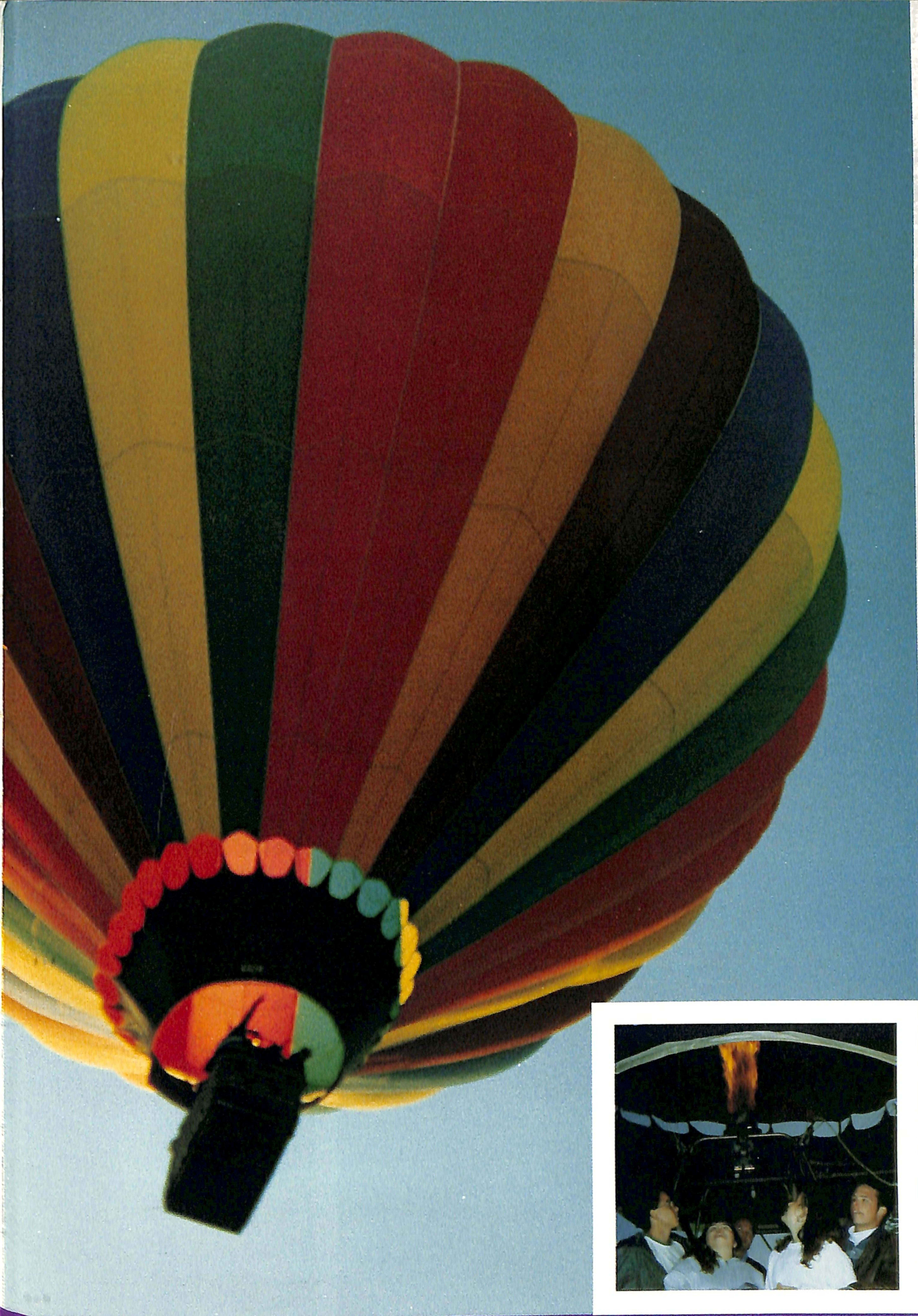
Student Life is full of leaders from all walks of life. These people are involved in all kinds of activities, in and out of school. "Jobs and other work orientated activities give students a greater sense of responsibility, as well as a little money to spend," says Chastity Haynes. Activities such as sports and clubs enrich and fulfill students' lives. Everything that students do in and out of school is important to them, and make their lives more interesting.

In life, power is there to excel and extend ourselves ahead of the pack. With this power, people can achieve even their highest goals. Without the fear of failure, one can take off towards the sky without limitations and begin "Leadin' the Way".

Leadin'

THE Way





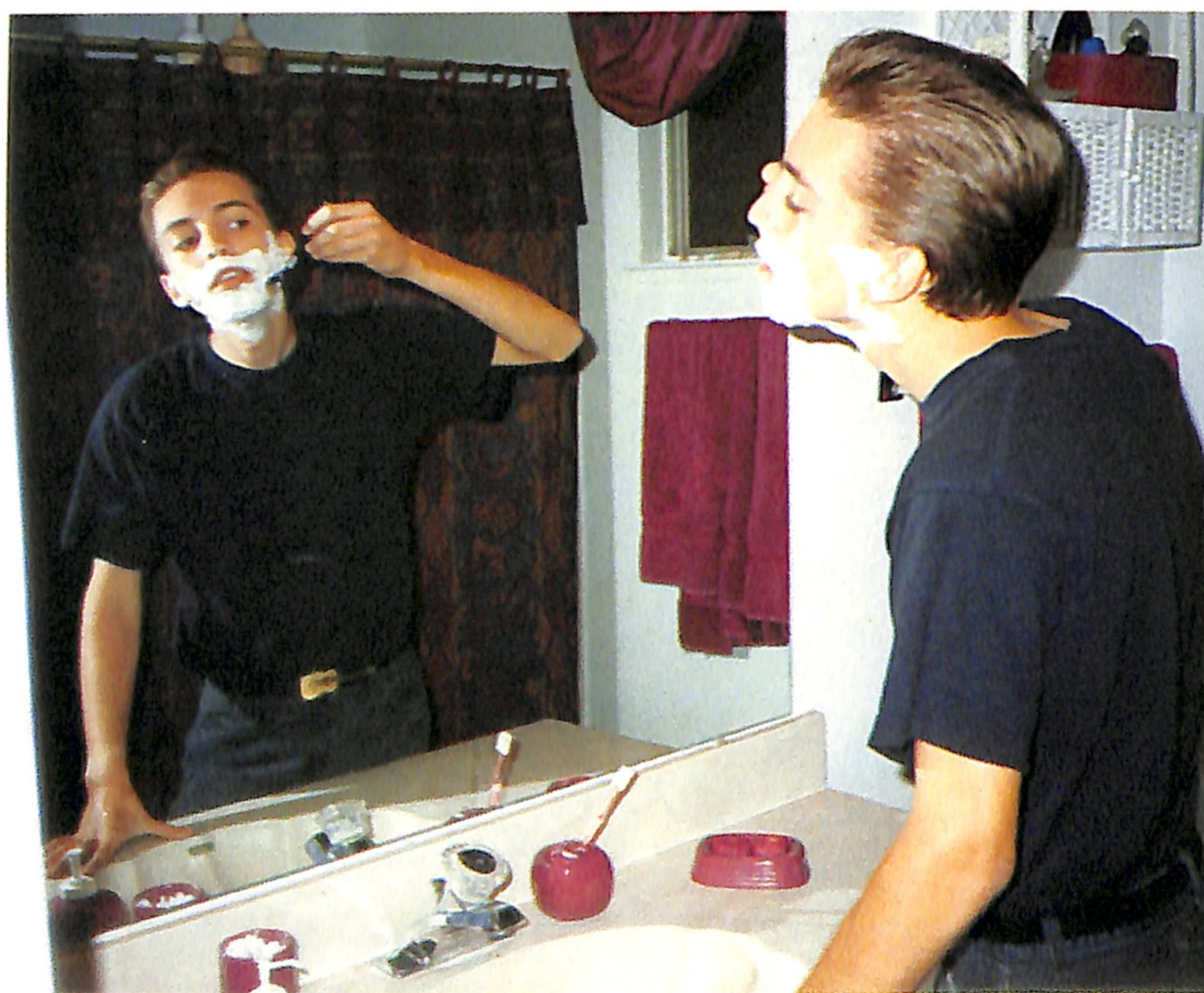
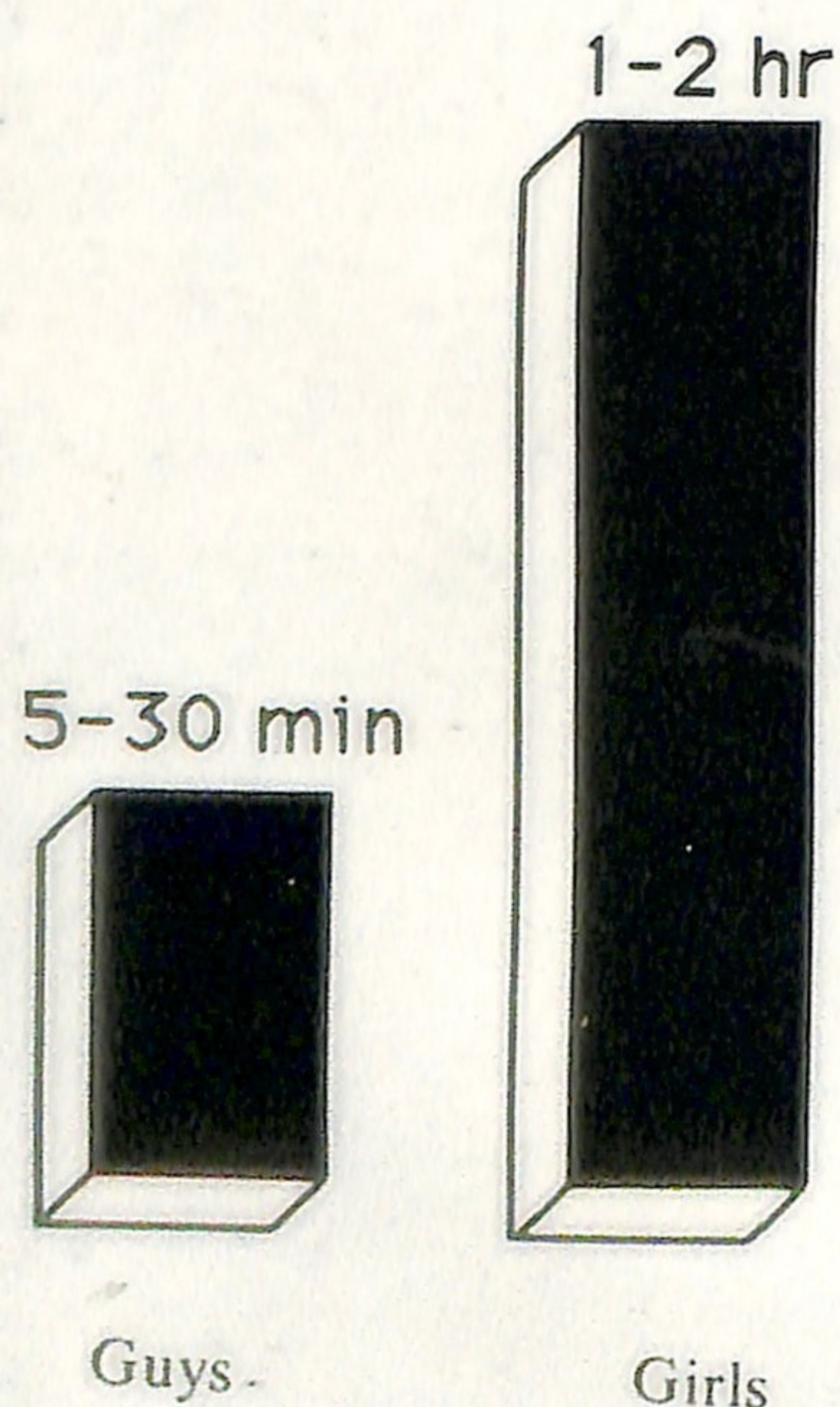
◆ With great determination, and a hint of apprehension, Sam Batista, Toni Dickens, Christina Vidalis, and Johnny Collins prepare for flight. "The balloon ride was definitely one of the most exhilarating experiences of my life!" exclaimed Christina. Hot air ballooning is fast becoming the fad of the 90's. Balloons Above The Valley offers this thrilling ride to anyone with a desire for adventure.

◆ Junior Sunni Jergensen tries to find the perfect outfit to make herself look her best. Sunni stated, "You find a great shirt then you can't find the shorts to match!"



◆ Mike Vanguardia has faith his hairdresser will bring out the individual style he wants. Mike's trust is well placed because his hairdresser is his mother.

How long does it take you to get ready in the morning?



◆ A clean shave can have an impact on people's first impression of someone's personality. Sophomore Andy Periera has several tasks he must do before going to school, shaving is one of them. "Just think, I have this to look forward to for the rest of my life!"

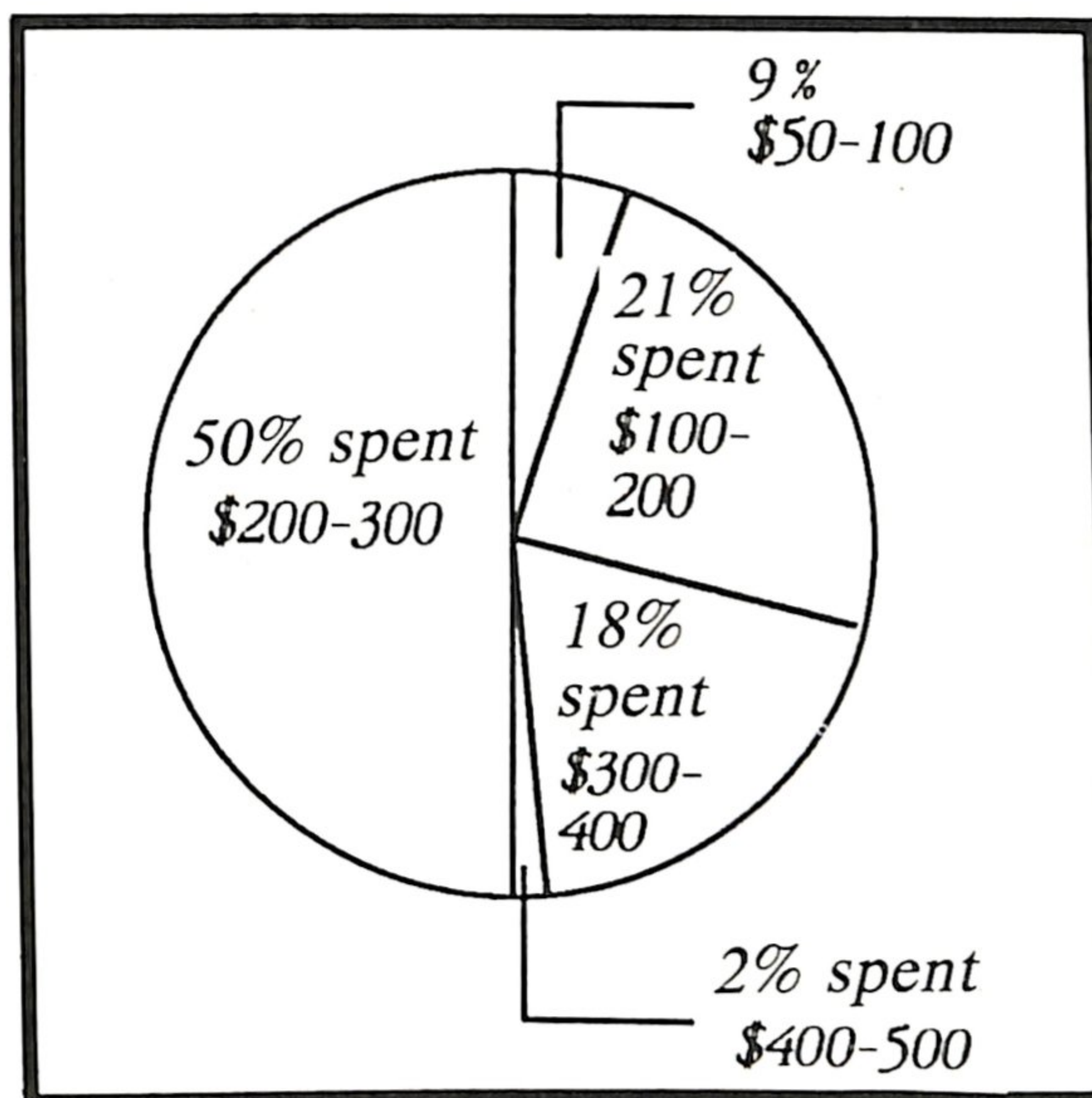
◆ Gazing over the mannequin's shoulder, Diane Smith exclaims, "I love it!" Shopping for school clothes is a summertime activity enjoyed by all teens. Diane Smith and Wendy Birchall practice their shopping skills at Contempo Casuals in the Solano Mall.





◆ Backpacks are not only a substitute for lockers on campus, but are as individualistic as the people who carry them. Barbara Briggs, Erin Knox, Marisa Von Bromssen, Becky Muscovitch and Jason Bradshaw carry all the essentials for the day.

How much is too much to spend on school clothing?



Starting Over

It all began Sept 3rd . . .

CRASH! That was the sound heard nationwide when the stock market crashed in October of 1929. That particular crash led to the period several people refer to as The Great Depression, a sad and severely stressful time in American history. Unless of course, you ask any high school student about The Great Depression. For students it is the end of August, every year. Summertime fantasies fade, love affairs end, and school starts.

Believe it or not, summer was not invented for kids to work on their bank accounts or their tans. In the past, the workload on the homefront was demanding and students were needed at home to help out. Without summer, students' stress levels would be even greater than they already are and acne would be at an all time high.

Even though the beginning of school can be a good thing, it is usually a sad time when farewells are exchanged and tears are shed. For Senior Susan Segala, the end

of summer meant uttering that horrible word "goodbye" to her boyfriend, who went to boot camp for the Marines in late August. "Last summer was the best of times and the worst of times. My senior year was finally here but I had to say goodbye to my boyfriend."

“As much as I enjoy summer I missed my friends and was ready to come back to school!”

-Julie White

In other cases, the end of summer means quitting a very good job. Junior David Finlinson had to say "adios" to a job at the Blue Lagoon Waterslide/park, a job that drastically improved not only his pocketbook but his tan as well. "I was pretty upset leaving, but a guy can only take so many UV rays."

Aside from letting go of that great job, and saying goodbye to that "Mr. Right" (or at least Mr. Right for now), one must make the transition from walking aimlessly across a warm summer beach, to trying to find a classroom on a crowded campus. For a freshman, finding a class in seven minutes or less, is like a game show. "I felt like a mouse in a maze," commented Freshman Rose Wells. The campus here is a labyrinth for freshmen, and the prize at the end of the maze is not a piece of cheese, but their class.

Although the end of summer is a trying time in every student's academic career, it also symbolizes the beginning of school. A time when it is survival of the fittest and no nonsense for about a month (on the average). Then we began looking forward to summer once again. It is quite obvious that students depend on those three months to make their lives complete.

What did you do to make this year a significant and special one?



"This year was very special to me since I'm in A.F.S. It's very different here from Finland, but I like my host family and my new friends!"
— Virpi Kantanen



"I wanted to get most valuable player in basketball and continued getting good grades."
— Randy Fisk



"Won M.E.L. for soccer team. I also got good grades, and did not get in a car accident!"
— Charles Haggerty

School Supplies



Starting School

What was your most frightening Halloween experience?



"While flying on an airplane, a strange man came up from behind me and pretended to slit my throat. I turned in horror to see it was only my friend." - Heather Ramey



"I was skateboarding down the street in Sacramento, when four guys jumped out and chased me for twenty minutes." - Jesse Sanders



"Being chased down a street by ten ghosts yelling 'Nerd! Nerd! Nerd!'" - Jenea Smith

A Month Of Fear

It Will Scare The Blood Right Out Of You

October has always been considered an eerie month of the year, so isn't it ironic that the blood drive occurred in the same month? Just days after donating blood students came across vampires, ghosts, and ghouls walking down the halls. Blood and scary monsters are what people associate Halloween with.

The blood drive took place on the 25th and 26th of October by the Memorial Blood Bank and was very successful, however falling only 11 donors short of breaking the statewide record of 499.

Many students say that giving blood was painful, but they endured it for the sake of helping others. Tammy Moore commented, "I felt O.K. about giving

blood until the nurse stuck the needle in my arm and missed the vein." Others just wanted to hurry up and get it over with. "It was fun, I just really wish that my blood would've come out faster," replied Fred Wulsin. In some cases some students' blood comes

"I hate needles."
— Josh Putz

out faster than others. "I was happy it only took one and a half minutes to donate my blood because I hate needles," Josh Putz commented. David Finlinson said, "I think that everybody should give blood because it benefits others." Many people argue that the

finger prick was more painful than the needle. "There was less pain because I knew what to expect, but the second time they pricked my finger ... that hurt!" explained Mike Emerick.

Some people decide to give blood because it will get them out of class. Others give blood because they know that they'll get a doughnut and apple juice when it is all over. No matter what reason students get out of class to give blood, it is a very rewarding experience. Nicole Rawski summed it all up by saying, "At first I was very nervous of the finger prick and all those scary questions, but I did not mind the needle and it made me feel good to know that I was saving someone's life."



▲ Clowning around, Sasha Landis, Jeanette Guerra, Lorrie Aguirre, and Jennifer Fristoe get silly. "Halloween really brings out the clown in us," said Lorrie Aguirre.

◆ Giving blood is always a little bit easier with the help of a friend, proves Mr. Harrison as he gives Denise Dilbeck a reassuring pat.





◆ Giving blood instead of taking it, vampire Daniel Ramey cringes. "The sight of my own blood scared the daylights out of me."

◆ Keith McNeil, dressed as Flavor Flav, and friends Christina Vidalis, Sam Batista, Kristen Kriens, Casey Vanveen, Angie Hirl and Kelly Brannon, party on Halloween night.



◆ Casey Vanveen went to the pumpkin patch and he played peek-a-boo while deciding which prize-winning pumpkin he was going to carve this year.

◆ Halloween was the debut for Joe Elliot's new look. "The theory to the quadratic formula is ..." said Joe Elliot.

◆ Interviewing a horse can be a difficult challenge. When asked a question, the horse replied, "Hee Haw, Dude ..."

How do you feel about Armijo spirit?



Sheri Pace—"I feel that Armijo students don't have as much spirit as they should. After spending four years at this school I'd think there would be more."



Robert Bailey—"I think this campus has a lot of school spirit and the students are more involved this year. I was happy to see that a lot of people dressed up for homecoming week."



Macario Dagdagan—"I feel that the spirit has risen a great amount, and the students seem much more enthusiastic this year. What was really good about the year was that the students and teachers worked together."



◆ 1991-92 Football Homecoming Queen, Sasha Landis gives the crowd a big smile, as last years Queen Roszaline Sears turns over her crown.

After the victory over Will C. Wood, the smiles of Chris Wilhite, Martin Nigro, and Melvin Northern show just how sweet victory is. The Homecoming win over the Wildcats marked back to back victories for the Mighty Indians.



A Night To Share

A Homecoming Full Of Excitement

Two times four is half of 16. If you're all for the Indians, stand up and lean," shouted the cheerleaders as the crowd in the stands shifted left and right, exhibiting their spirit. This was a common cheer used to support the team and gave the crowd a chance to participate. Spirits were boosted on this night of excitement by a mixed crowd of proud parents, alumni, kids from other schools, and of course our own student body. They all helped pump up the football team as they went on to a 20-15 victory over the Will C. Wood Wildcats.

The night's festivities started out with the presentation of the homecoming floats. The Seniors took first place with their "Indian In The Box," while the freshmen came in second, juniors in third, and sophomores in fourth. The seniors were very happy to win first place as Emma Willey explains, "I was nervous and excited

"It was an honor just to be one of the lucky 7 nominees."

Emily Vaughn

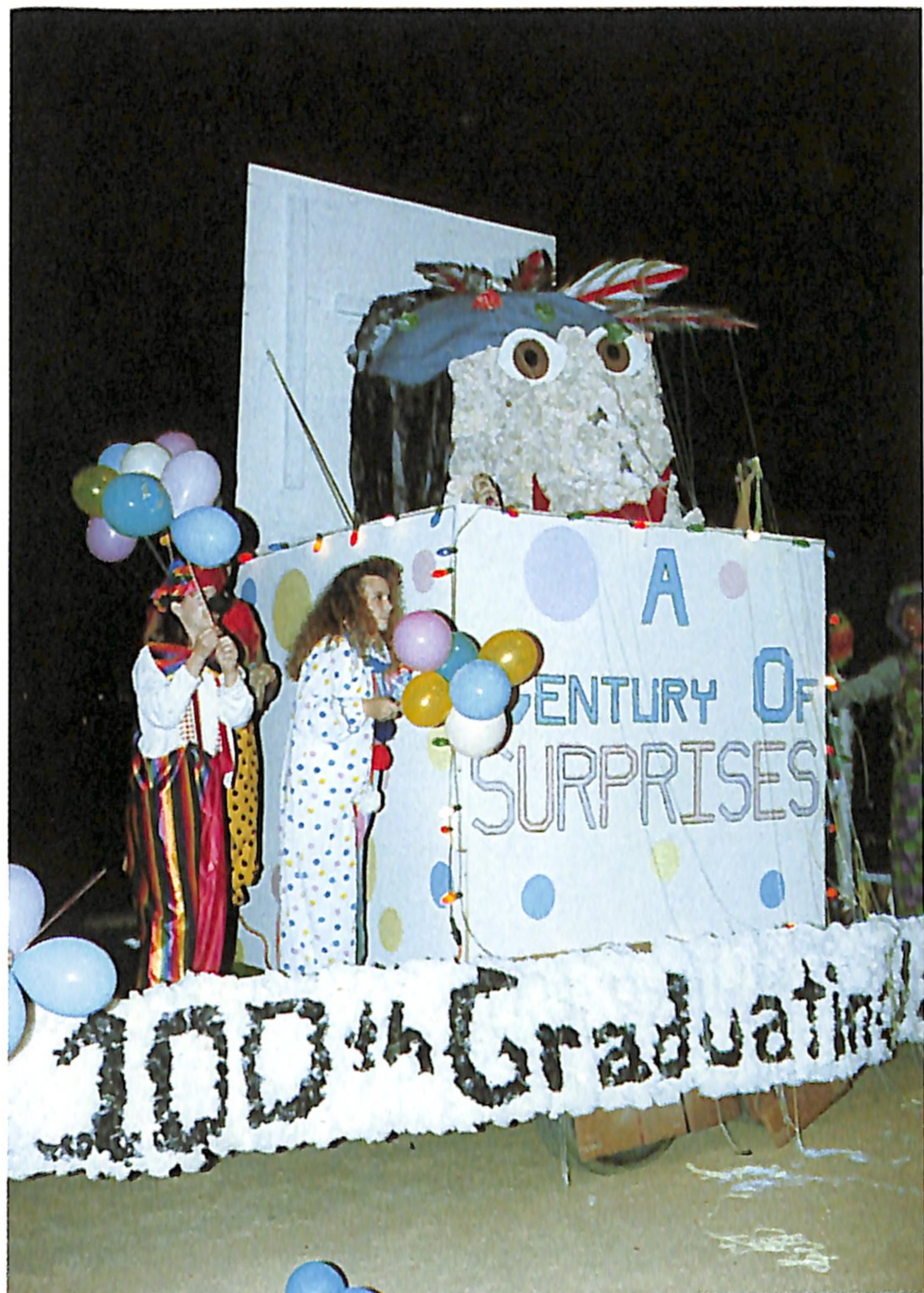
at the same time because we worked very hard on the float and we all wanted to win very badly." Freshman Aundrea Paler explained, "I was happy that we at least beat the juniors." Sophomore Erik Perry commented, "It was kind of depressing that the freshman class beat us."

After the floats were presented, the crowd geared up for an exciting football game. The Indians and the Wildcats battled tirelessly to a 15-12 Wildcat advantage. At the end of the first half it was time to present the homecoming nominees. The crowd roared as the cars pulled up to escort the nominees to the podium. As the nomi-

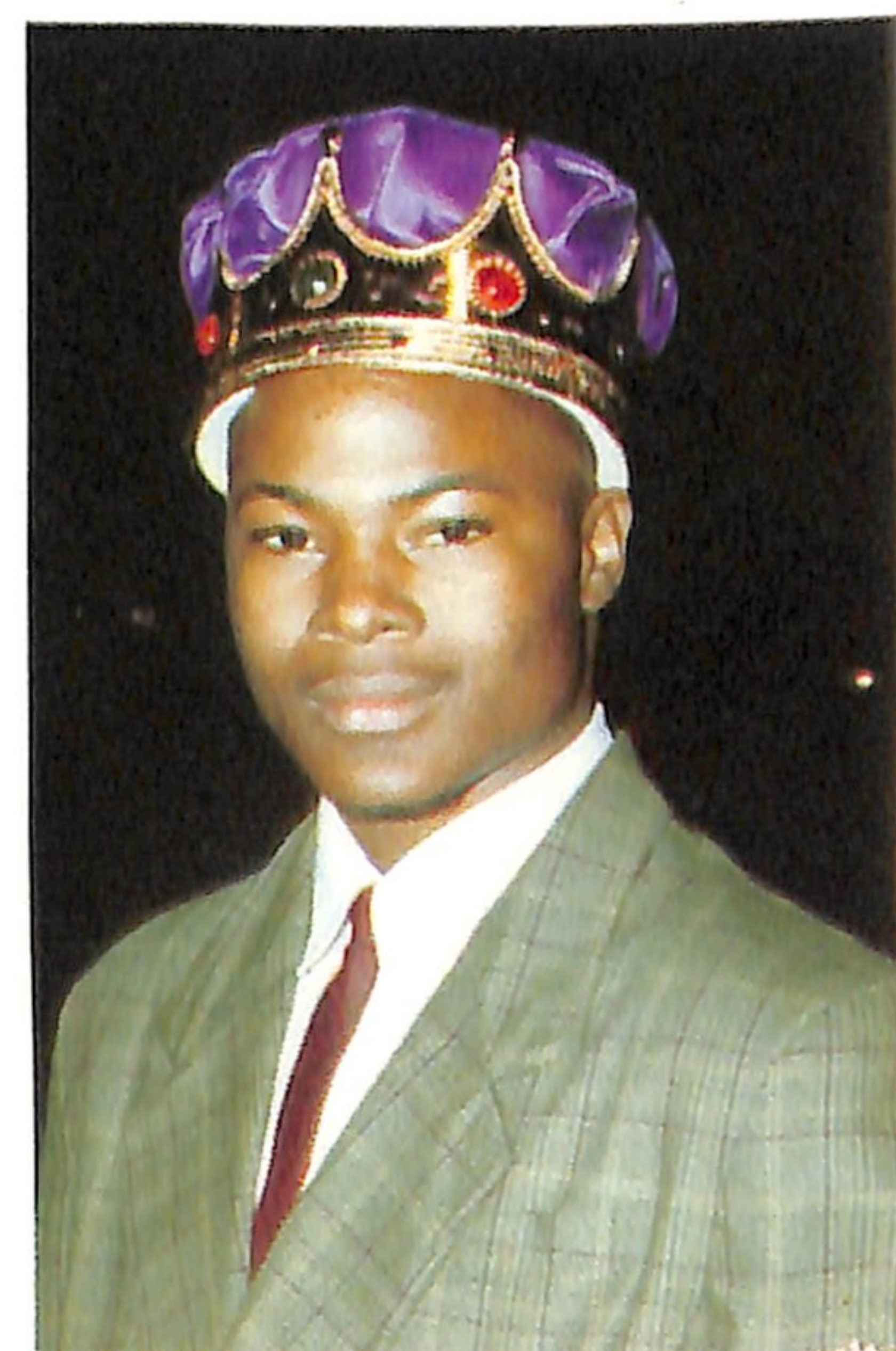
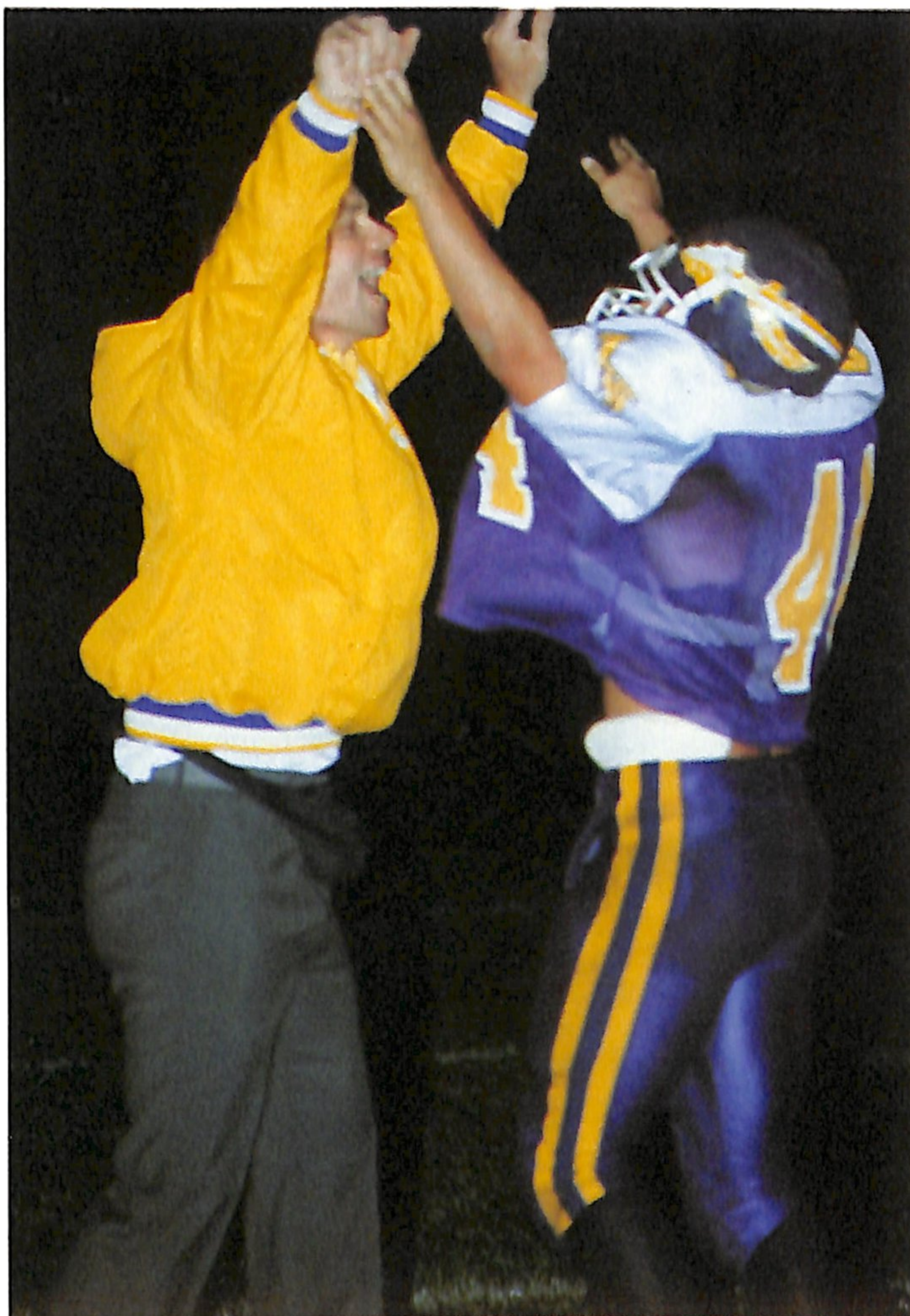
nees stood in front of the enthusiastic fans, the winning class attendants were announced. Finally, the time had come to present the King and Queen.

The honor of the 1991-92 Football Homecoming King and Queen was bestowed upon Tony Blair and Sasha Landis. As the two approached the stand, the crowd stood up screaming and cheering. "I was so relieved when they called the winner. It felt like all the pressure of being nervous had been lifted and that's when I just threw my hands in the air," exclaimed King Tony Blair. Queen Sasha Landis said, "I was nervous because I was running against some of my good friends and I honestly didn't know who was going to win." The night came to an end as the Varsity Football team staged a tremendous 20-15 victory over the Wildcats. It was truly a Homecoming night to remember.

▼ A giant "Indian in the Box," gave the seniors the jump on the other classes, allowing them to place first in the float competition. Although the competition was tough, the class of 1992 pulled through. "Winning first place was very special because it was our last year to display our creativity," explains Jeebron Zamora.



▼ Victory is more meaningful when you have a good friend to celebrate with. Trent Van Niewburg and Coach Bob Pickett share their excitement of the 20-15 homecoming win over the Wood Wildcats.

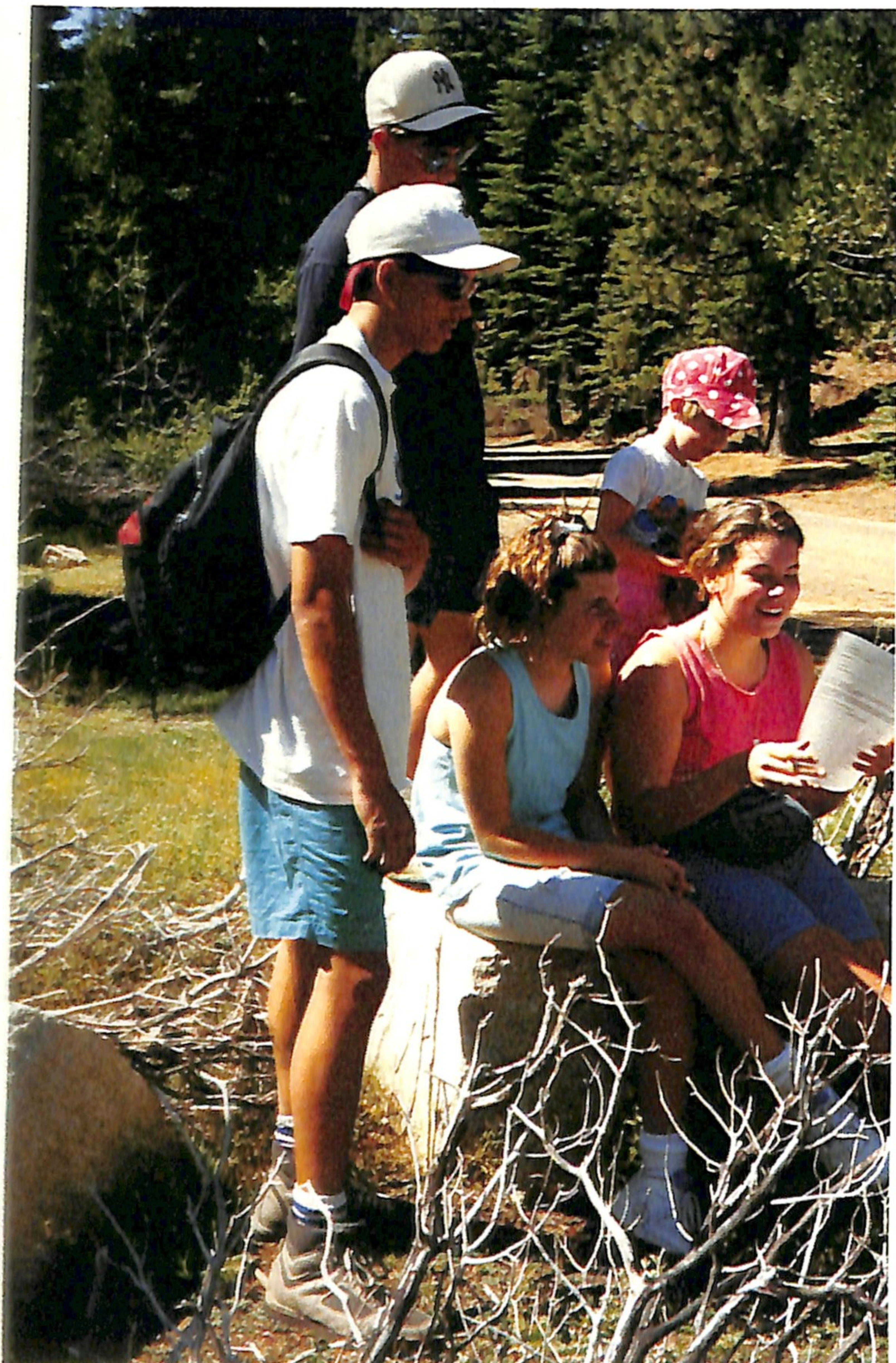


▲ "I was relieved when the names of the winners were announced. It felt like all the pressure was lifted off me," explained Tony Blair, the 1991-92 Homecoming King.

◆ Giving their parental support, the parents of Kelly Brannan and Keith Balasia greet them after the Homecoming assembly. "I truly appreciate all the love and support my family gives me," explains Keith Balasia.

◆ Todd Phillips, Sam Batista, Michelle Munson, and Anne Mikolajcik spent three days at Yosemite National Park. Before their three mile hike through the beautiful forest, Anne got the map ready to plot the points to conquer.

◆ Fighting fire takes on a new dimension as Cynthia Whitehead demonstrates a martial art technique known as the reverse punch. She has been with Kajukenbo Kenpo-Karate for two years. "Karate relaxes me and still gives me a chance to do a physically demanding activity which challenges and helps me in a crisis," said Cynthia.



◆ Sasha Landis enjoyed much of her summer slalom skiing on Lake Wildwood with her boyfriend and family. "I would never pass up a chance to go water skiing. If I had my choice, I would do it all year!" exclaims Sasha.

◆ Working her way under the limbo pole is one of Angie Walker's hidden talents. She discovered this during the summer in the Bahamas. "I thought that I was going to fall, but I ended up winning first place," said Angie.



Beating The Heat

Keeping Cool When The Weather Is Hot.

As people mature and prosper in this world, their definition of summer changes. Every high school student remembers the days when they were a top government spy dodging enemy bullets to save the lives of millions, yet not really caring if they were shot because they would be reincarnated in 30 seconds. Then the summer sun went down and they were called inside for dinner. They went into the house and grew up. One day they stepped out of the house into a world they knew much more about. Suddenly, summer meant bungee cord jumping off a high

bridge and riding on the most treacherous roller coasters. Even though summer changes through the years, it is still the individual's chance to do what they want to do.

On June 13, the world is every

“I hate when my hair gets messed up on the rides,
— Keri Bell.”

high school students oyster. “When that final bell rings, the only thing in my mind is, which beach I am going to conquer first”, commented Senior/Surfer David Guberman.

Golfer Will Moore expressed his enthusiasm about summer. “Instead of just spending my Saturday mornings out on the green, I can spend my Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings out there too.”

Everyone has their own way of enjoying summer. Now instead of climbing trees to avoid enemy fire, students find different and more unique ways of enjoying summer.

“By leaping over the brick wall of conformity and doing what you want to do, one can repair the mind and escape from the desk filled rooms that haunt us all.” - Johnny Collins.



◆ Her adrenaline was pumping as Keri Bell flipped over and experienced an ultimate rush, (a new hairstyle) on the Revolution at Great America. “I was excited but at the same time I felt like my stomach had fallen to the ground,” said Keri.

◆ Grabbing stalefish, Will Baker ollies down a steep bank. To Will and many other students, skateboarding is “extra-curricular sport of choice.”

How do you like to have fun during the summer?



“Waterskiing on the clear water of Folsom Lake and lovin’ and livin’ it up with my boyfriend.” -Amanda Thomas



“The heat of the night brings out the wildside in me.” -Pamela Ingram



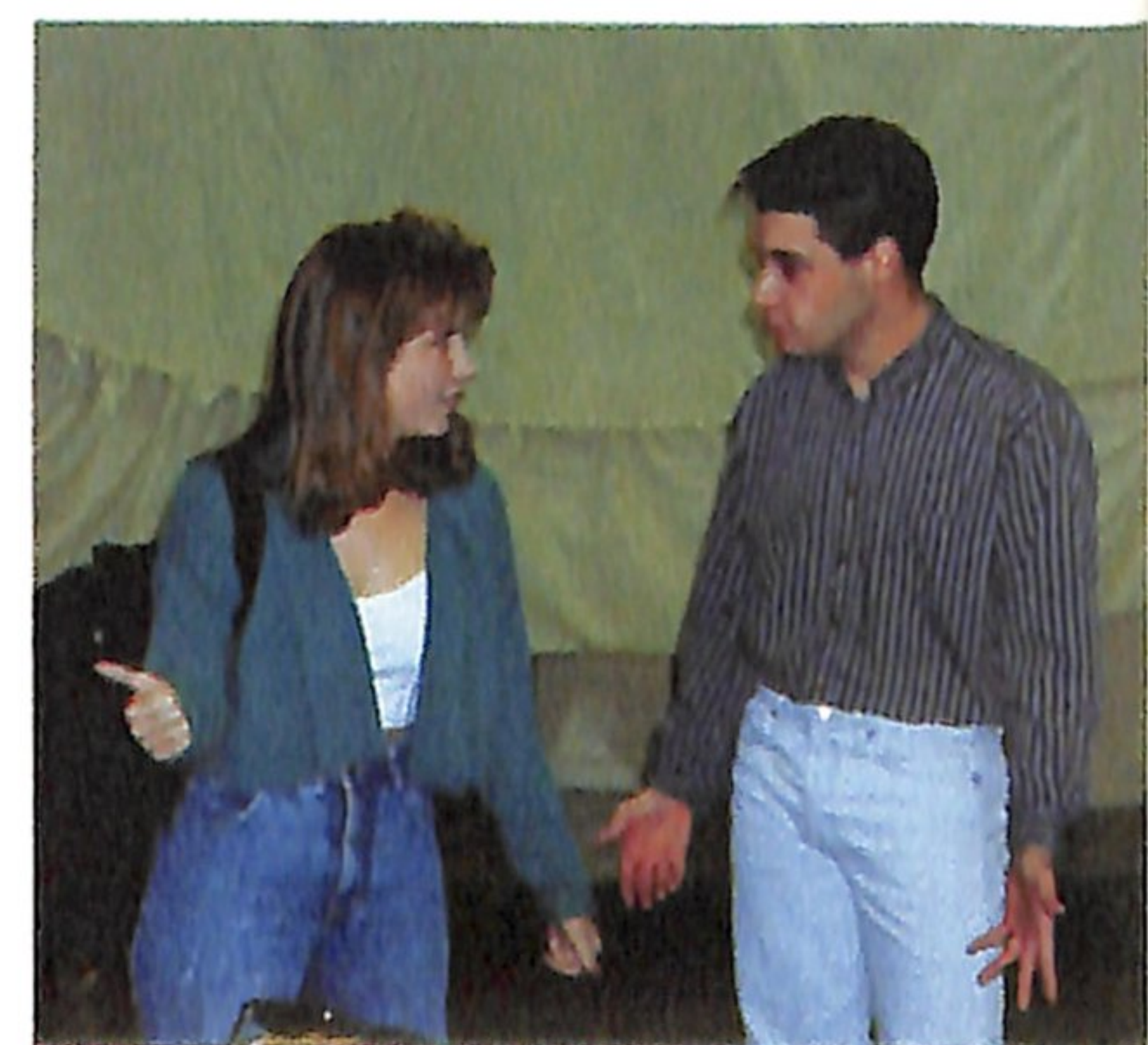
“As each day of school passes by, I think of summer and the bright blue skies. When summer is finally within my reach, I head for the waves on a distant beach.” -Faith Salibo

► Breaking down is never fun, but it's even worse when a long **line** of cars are backed up behind you. Keith Balasia hurries to find the problem with his car as horns grow louder in the after school rush.

► Standing still in the hot sun with a growling stomach can be quite a experience. "That always happens to me. I get to the front of the **line** and I forget what I want to eat," said Mike Azucena.



► As the freshmen football team **lines** up for the start of the game, the National Anthem sounds in the background. "The beginning is always the best time of the game," explains John Alexander. "The score is always even."



► Unity is rarely seen in **lines**, but the senior class pulled together to win a class competition at the Wednesday Night Jam. "It's one night when students come together as friends to have fun and for once, no brainwork is needed," explains Lisa Freer.

► Pat Wulsin becomes the next victim of a bad pick-up **line** as Alissa Jones turns in disgust. "I can't believe he used that **line** on me. I haven't heard that since the first grade!"

► The pressure of remembering **lines** for a play is often challenging but when the **lines** are spoken and the scenes are over, a feeling of relief kicks in. Chad Foltz and Shannon Ledbetter are acting out a scene in Drama class.

Line Boggling

More To Them Than Meets The Eye...

Lines! Nobody likes waiting in **lines**. Some lines can produce frustrated and obnoxious people while other types of **lines** can possibly kick off a romantic relationship that will last either an eternity or two weeks, whichever comes first.

Nobody has time for these **lines**, yet we seem to spend more time with **line** than we realize. "The **line** I dread the most is the kind that guys try to give me. They all say the same old thing. It gets old real quick." said Fanta Hammond.

These snake-like figures are everywhere. They can be found at a football game, whether it is a **line** for the snack bar or the **line** of

scrimmage. "That's the one thing I don't like, waiting in **line** for food." said Teresa Bottom.

Oddly enough, there can be less hostility in a **line** of scrimmage than in a **line** for a sale. There are

“Once I stood in **line** for four hours to buy Summer Jam tickets. They sold out to the guy ahead of me!

-Tammy Gallentine

many more obscenities issued and illegal procedures used in a **line** for a sale than at a football game. Determined shopper, Rose Wells, sent a message to fellow shoppers. "When I am at a sale and I like

the clothes, I'm out for blood, and what I want is going to be mine. So don't even think about cutting in **line** in front of me!"

There are other kinds of **lines** that exhibit far worse behavior. While name calling and face slapping are not normal parts of the curriculum, it is not surprising if you see it. "I'm not afraid to let a guy know that I don't appreciate his **line**." Franziska Brown commented. "No matter how violent girls can get, anything goes when a guy *on the prowl* is trying to be a smooth cassanova. "Hey girl, what's your sign?" ... SMACK!

It is safe to say that **lines** will be a part of our lives forever.



◆ P.E. roll call **lines** are used not only to take roll, but to exercise in as well. "I can't stand roll call **lines** because I feel like a smashed sardine!" exclaimed Jason Bolin.

◆ Serious concert-goers Matt Wager, Deanna Boothe, Reed Gomez, Pat Wulsin, and Angie Hurl beat the crowd as they wait in **line** at the Bass Ticket Outlet. "The only real way to avoid chaos is to camp out," said Deanna Boothe.

What is the most outrageous "pick-up" **line** that you have ever heard?



Is your dad a jewel thief? Well, then who put the sparkle in your eyes? -Roseanne Guerra



You look really familiar. Weren't we boyfriend and girlfriend in kindergarten? -Angie Walker



Do you know what "carpe diem" means? It means "seize the day" and I just couldn't let the night pass without saying hello. -Emily Vaughn

What is your hidden talent?

Rising Stars

Live From Armijo



"I draw big maps and designs for Dungeons and Dragons and other games," said Daniel Ramey.



"I can play the flute with my nose," said Mike Vangaurdia.



Lana Managlallan said, "I can play Shower me with your love on the piano, with my toes."

Did you know there are budding stars at Armijo? There are rappers, models, dancers, and actors. But how did they get started in performing? "Awhile ago I saw a play by the Solano Children's Musical Center, it impressed me so much I knew that was what I wanted to do," said Sophomore Angie Schuder. When asked how he got started in performing Senior Gregory Edwards said, "I started writing Christian rap songs, then I met some guys in my church who danced and rapped. We formed a group and it all started from there." Many people dream about being a star, but not many actually strive to become one. Music can be a form of expression and communication to others. Ian Ulibarri is in an industrial group called Knaves. Ian said "I love music. I can express so many

The hours of practicing skateboarding paid off in fun. Now I can't stop!

-Abe Hammod

ideas and feelings without saying a word."

Performing must mean a lot to the individual. There is a serious commitment that must be made. "I have classes and rehearsal from five o'clock to ten o'clock p.m. every day of the week except Sunday," said Junior Rachel Barney. Rachel has been in many plays. She has also been in two ballet productions, The Nutcracker and Giselle. When asked what motivates her to continue acting Senior Heather Ramey said, "It's a passion. I can't describe the feeling, it's something inside." The time spent rehearsing means a lot to performers because it is the

only opportunity they get to correct their mistakes and prepare for a show. The time spent can sometimes interfere with school. It can also work as an advantage. "Dancing doesn't interfere with my school work, it actually helps me to work harder because I know I might not have the time to do it later," stated Sophomore Barbara Hodge. Sometimes the power is what makes performing so appealing. But do these confident stars get nervous? "You're not human if you don't get nervous sometimes, but I work really well under pressure," stated Junior Johanna McKenzie.

The actual performance can be very exciting. "When I am on stage I have the power to control emotions and make people happy or sad," commented Senior Patty Schwartz.



▲ "I started dancing when I was two years old and have been ever since," said Holly Ryan while rehearsing in the Studio of Dance for an upcoming performance.



▲ Greg Edwards and Christian Tribe called "Peace of Mind." Its name is originated from 2 Timothy 1:7. They have been performing together for four years.



▲ Patty Schwartz as the Town Crier in the Cinderella Pantos at the Fairfield Community Theater. "I feel very relaxed on stage," said Patty.



◆ Ian Ulibarri was influenced by his father, who was in a rock band for 13 years. Black November is just one of Ian's bands. "I love the feeling and energy that I can create with my music," commented Ian.



◆ In the national competition in Sacramento Barbara Hodge danced her way to the finals by dazzling the judges with her routine. "Winning first place was a great boost for my self esteem," said Barbara



◆ Johanna McKenzie and Michael Cambridge (from Sacramento) in the Vallejo Music Theater play Fiddler on the Roof. In this musical, Johanna played Hodel. "I really identified with Hodel because she was family orientated and, so am I," said Johanna.



◆ Rachel Barney, an actress/dancer, performed in the musical Brigadoon, which led her to an Elly Nomination for "Best Supporting Actress."

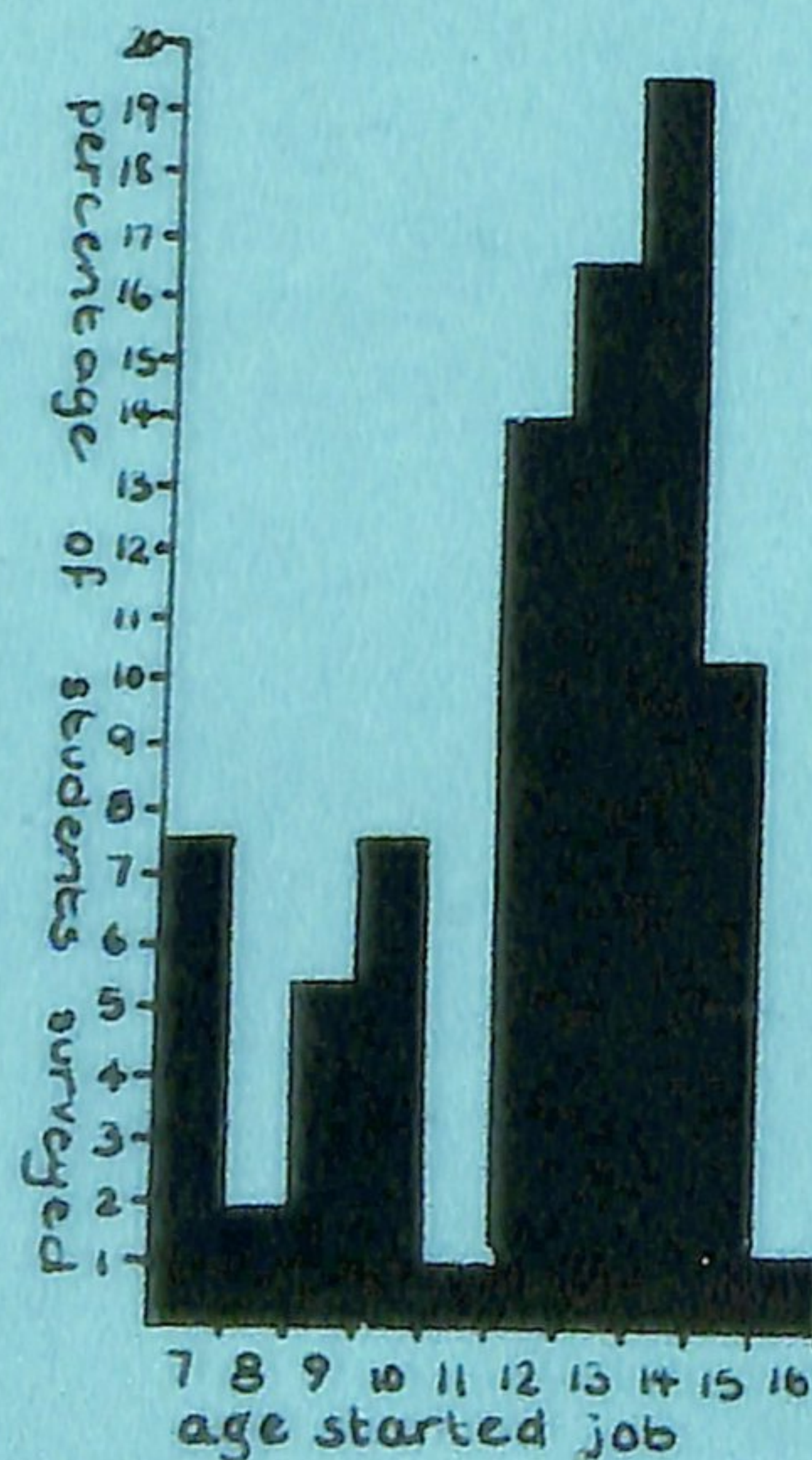
What motivates you to work?
What satisfaction do you get from working?



"Earning money to save is my motivation. I love to talk to my regulars, catch up with what they have been doing." Maryellen Eash - Waitress.



"I am motivated to work by money, but it is pleasing to know that I am helping others and broadening my horizons at the same time." Joe Abrew - Sales Assistant.



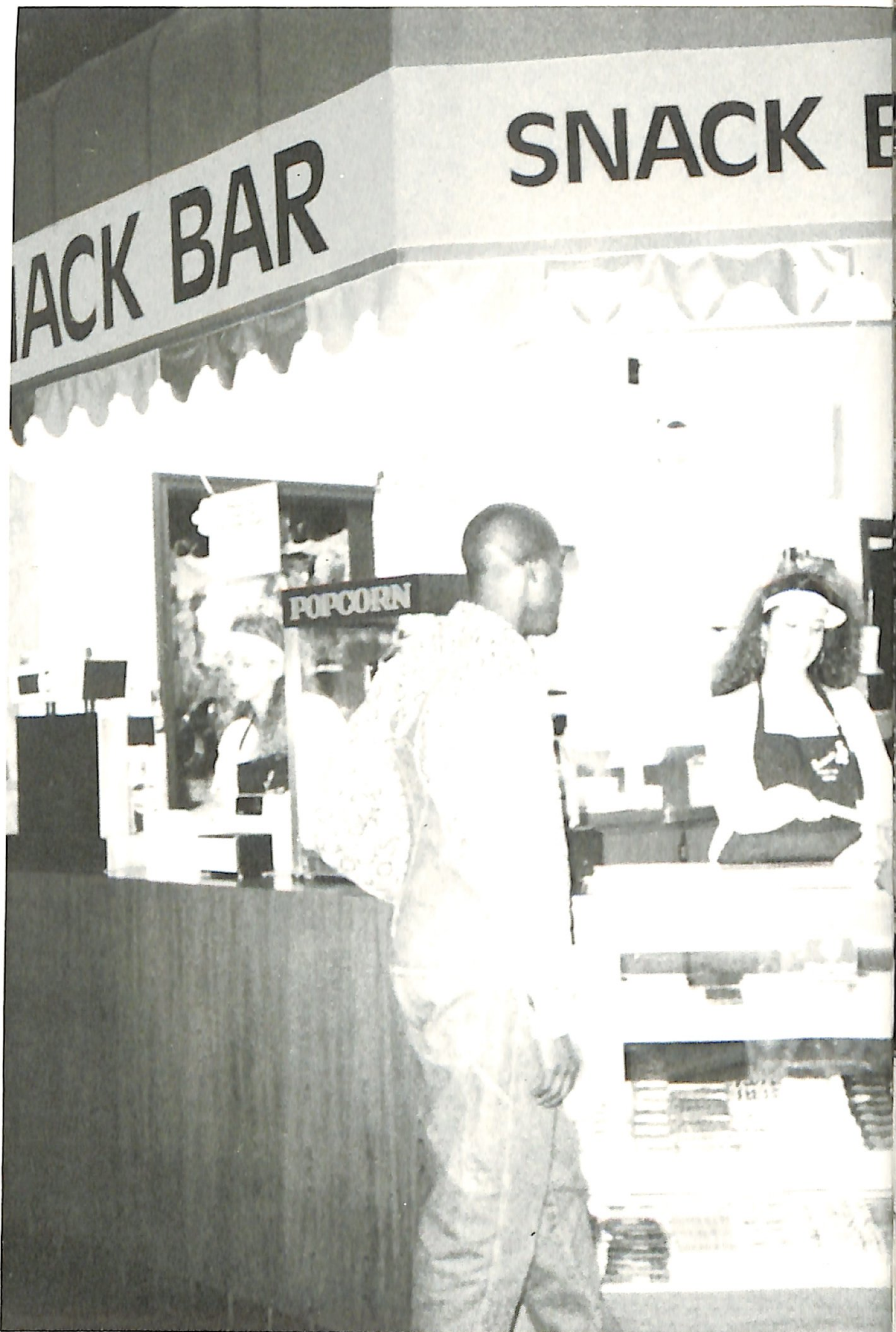
The graph above displays the percentage of students surveyed and what age they started working. (Work was defined as anything that was required to be done to earn money).

◆ Scandia's Snack Bar was the working place for Jenea Smith and Michelle Gutierrez. While being served Phillip Nears and Anthony Olgen said, "We appreciate Scandia's quality service."

Of students surveyed, 63% said working had no effect on their grades, 25% said working had a positive effect and only 12% said working had a negative effect on their grades.

Babysitting was their first job for 33% of students surveyed, and for 23.7% mowing lawns was their first job.

43% of students surveyed admitted to falling asleep at least once during class, due to the late hours they kept in their jobs.



◆ Sal Sanchez was a smiling face behind the scenes at Toys "R" Us. Sal, a senior, spent the year working after school stocking the warehouse.



◆ The Fun Time cart at the mall was patiently attended by Junior Lyn Park. "The hours are long but I enjoy talking to the people passing by and the money always helps!" commented Lyn.



◆ City of Fairfield employee Ricky Stevens tried to make his star player even better with a little coach's advice. "I love this job, it gives me a chance to help my community" shared Ricky.



◆ Jennifer Vollmer held a job this year at 7 Flags car wash in Fairfield. "I like working here, the team work never leaves room for boredom," remarked Jennifer.



Labor Intensive

Can Students Handle School And A Job?

How many of us really appreciate reading the morning paper while munching on Frosted Flakes before school? Well tomorrow, spare a thought for the dedicated student that may have given up their warm cozy bed at 5:30am just to deliver that paper to your front door.

This kind of dedication could be found in many of our students who were holding jobs while keeping up their grades. "When you have a job, I feel you have to work a little harder to keep up your grades," said Joe Abrew, Junior, Sales Assistant.

Although students enjoyed their work, they also found their days were full with many activities, and a lot of spare time often had to be sacrificed. "Sometimes if I work all weekend I will come home really tired and grumpy, and I really don't feel like facing school the next day," said Mary-

ellen Eash, Sophomore, Waitress.

Even with this as the case, those who worked were dedicated and motivated by the advantages presented by holding a job. "I am motivated by the money I earn

“If I work all weekend I may come home really tired and grumpy! I don't feel like facing school the next day.”-Maryellen Eash

and I enjoy working outdoors, I don't have to beg my parents for money and I will be able to buy myself a car," said Chad Ward, Freshman, Hunters Assistant.

Many humorous and some-

times embarrassing things can happen in the workplace. These can be experiences that stay with you for life. "When I was ripping out a wall, my Dad was on the other side with the nailer. He was just about to put a nail into the stud when I busted the wall. The nail ended up in my brothers' leg and I had to get it out for him," said Jarod McIntosh, Freshman, Construction Worker.

Working in a part time job while still attending school can put a student ahead of the rest, giving them the edge when they leave school because they have experienced a working environment outside of the classroom. Having past job experience is something prospective colleges and future employers will be looking for. These working students are really leadin' the way for the rest of us to follow.



◆ Senior Hang Nguyen gives her fingers a workout at the Solano Economic Opportunity Centre. "I am good at typing and it really pays off. I like my colleagues and that makes my job easier."

◆ After a tremendous workout, Josh Patterson eases the weight off of Vince Dostal's back. "I like working out and it's important to workout for football," said Vince.

◆ In constant need of cash, students work weekends to earn money. Anita Gonzales, working hard on a Sat. night at Carl's Jr. said, "I like working weekends because I make money and meet new people."



Taking A Break!!

There Is Nothing Like A Little Relaxation.

After a long week of responsibilities at school, students and faculty were both ready for a chance to lift their spirits and relax. Whether they went to parties, hung out at home, traveled to distant places or enjoyed activities in town, the weekend was a time to get away.

The most asked question that popped up on Fridays was, "Where's the party?" "Bryan Vurth is sure to have his regular weekend party," said Josh Putz.

Weekends were not only used for partying. "I usually played soccer for the community or ended up having practice for football or soccer," said Chao Vang. On the other hand, a few students

ended up working. However, even these people look forward to the weekend as a change of pace. When Senior Michelle Sapp was asked what kept her looking for-

What would we do without weekends? ...
Kimberly Schall.

ward to the weekends even though she worked, Michelle said, "Working on the weekends was not all that bad. You met new people and receiving the paycheck made it all worth while."

Neil Ledford had another per-

spective of weekends. His favorite thing to do was "Work and sleep and sleep and work." His idea of an ideal weekend was to relax. After getting up early everyday and sleeping late at nights because of school work during the week, he enjoyed sleeping in.

Everyone needs a change of pace from the school week. A change that will relax as well as refresh, for the week ahead. With keeping in mind that come Monday, noses will return to the grindstone and heads will again be buried in textbooks. As the eminent five day week begins, Andre Turner reminds us of the immortal words of Garfield "I hate Mondays!"





◆ While asking her friend for advice, Andrea Beaver considered whether or not to buy the sweater from the Limited. "I don't know, it's nice, but is it me?" wondered Andrea.

◆ Sitting up in a tree, Adam Grasso shows us his way of takin' it easy. "For me, weekends are a time for kicking back while leisurely reading," said Adam.



◆ Wisely using her time, Cindy Bhullar does her schoolwork. "Sometimes when I'm loaded down with tons of homework, I use the weekend to catch up on my work," said Cindy.

◆ Brooke Parker asks Chris Fong about the weekend. "I don't have the slightest idea, man," said Chris. This is a typical response but by the time the sun sets, people have usually decided upon an activity.

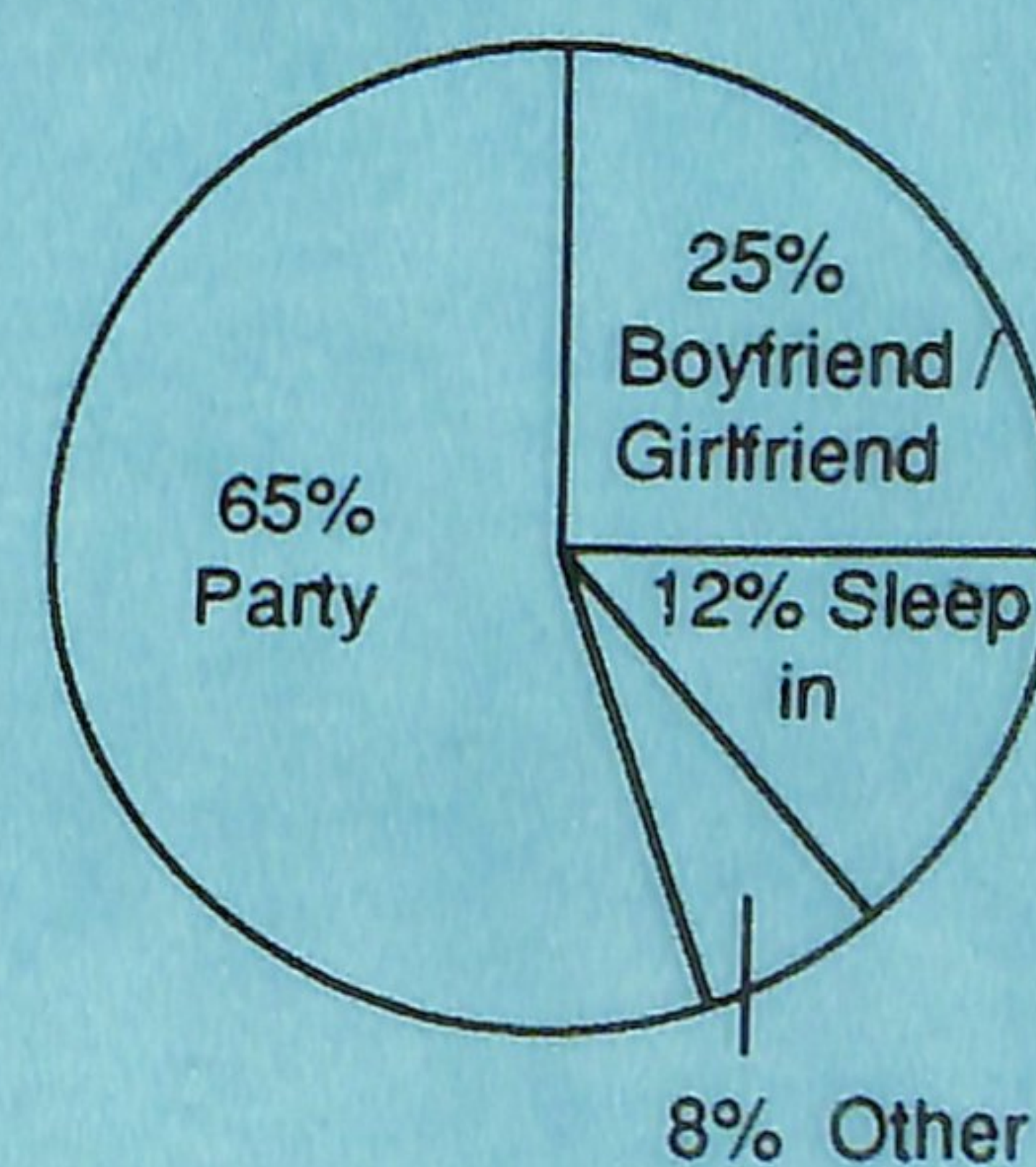
What's your perspective of weekends?



Justin Kibler believes, "Weekends are relief from school and gives one some time off. I either work or party on weekends."



"Weekends help a lot. It's not a time to think about school but, relax and live," said Senior Joy Ramirez.



When students were surveyed on what they looked forward to on the weekend, the majority answered, "Partying!" Twenty-five percent said they enjoyed being with their boyfriend or girlfriend, while twelve percent anticipated sleeping in. The remaining eight percent chose a variety of other activities. Whatever the students did, they enjoyed themselves.

What was your favorite part of the Renaissance Faire?



"The food, definitely the food. I was out about 30 bucks, but it was worth it."-Josh Putz



"The costumes were my favorite part of the faire. A lot of people dressed up. It was like I was really in the 16th century."-Sherry Meek



"My favorite part was the juggling show. The jugglers were hilarious. That's probably why I went to the next three shows."-Paul Delarmete

◆ Artist Tremaine Tucker creates another masterpiece with the kick-back style he is known for. "I started painting about one year ago. I plan to pursue a career in fine art."



◆ Senior Rebecca Capp and faithful friend Socrates are taking a break. "This is Socrates' favorite part of the day, break time." Becky and Socrates just returned from a long ride through the valley.



◆ Junior Pat Chilson has been singing since age 10. "I've always loved singing and I often think about auditioning for a talent show."

◆ Junior Nicole Van Vacas struts her stuff on a 16th century dance floor. "Eat your heart out Paula Abdul. That was how I spent my breaks at the Faire. What a job!"

♥ Laura Sandberg and Nicole Van Vacus take a break at the Faire. "Hey, where did you get the bread?" asked Laura. "A girl can get real hungry while traveling back in time."

♦ Senior Chris Luthy practiced what he preached at the Renaissance Faire, as he bought one of his delicious sandwiches. "I loved that job, I got employee discounts on the food."



Renaissance

The Modern Fairy Tale

Imagine what it was like in the 16th century. Knights rescued fair maidens in distress. Great renaissance painters create masterpieces. The people had fancy titles such as King, Duke, Lord, or Queen which elevated them to a level above other people. They lived in huge castles, surrounded by moats. All around the castles were beautiful forests, unspoiled by pollution. The people wear fancy clothes and can be seen in the squares, doing intricate medieval dances. On occasions, the people would rush to arms for the Crusades.

This vision became tangible for the people who visited the Renaissance Faire. The faire provides a

"It was nothing like I expected. Next year I am planning to dress up in costume."
-Christina Vidalis

simulated 16th century environment in which people dress, talk, and act like they had in the past. It turned out to be a memorable experience for all. Amber Nichol said, "I had a terrific time this year. I really enjoyed the food and the atmosphere and I am looking forward to next year."

Three of our students were directly involved in creating a more realistic atmosphere at the faire. Chris Luthy a.k.a. Christopher Moore, Laura Sandburg a.k.a. Elaine Moore, and Nicole Van

Vacus a.k.a. Kate Moore all participated by doing various things such as dancing, hawking, and acting.

Melanie Schoenborn, an Australian exchange student said, "It was a great experience, one I wouldn't have experienced in Australia."

This years Renaissance Faire was a place people could go to experience celebrations of the century's past. David Guberman said, "I loved the scenery, I believe that it is something everyone should experience at least once."

The Renaissance Fair is held annually, from Labor Day until the end of October.



What is the
strangest thing
someone has
asked to
borrow from
you?



"Once a guy I knew came up to me and asked if I had a black strapless bra that he could borrow. I was surprised until I later found out that it was for a costume."- Lisa Freer



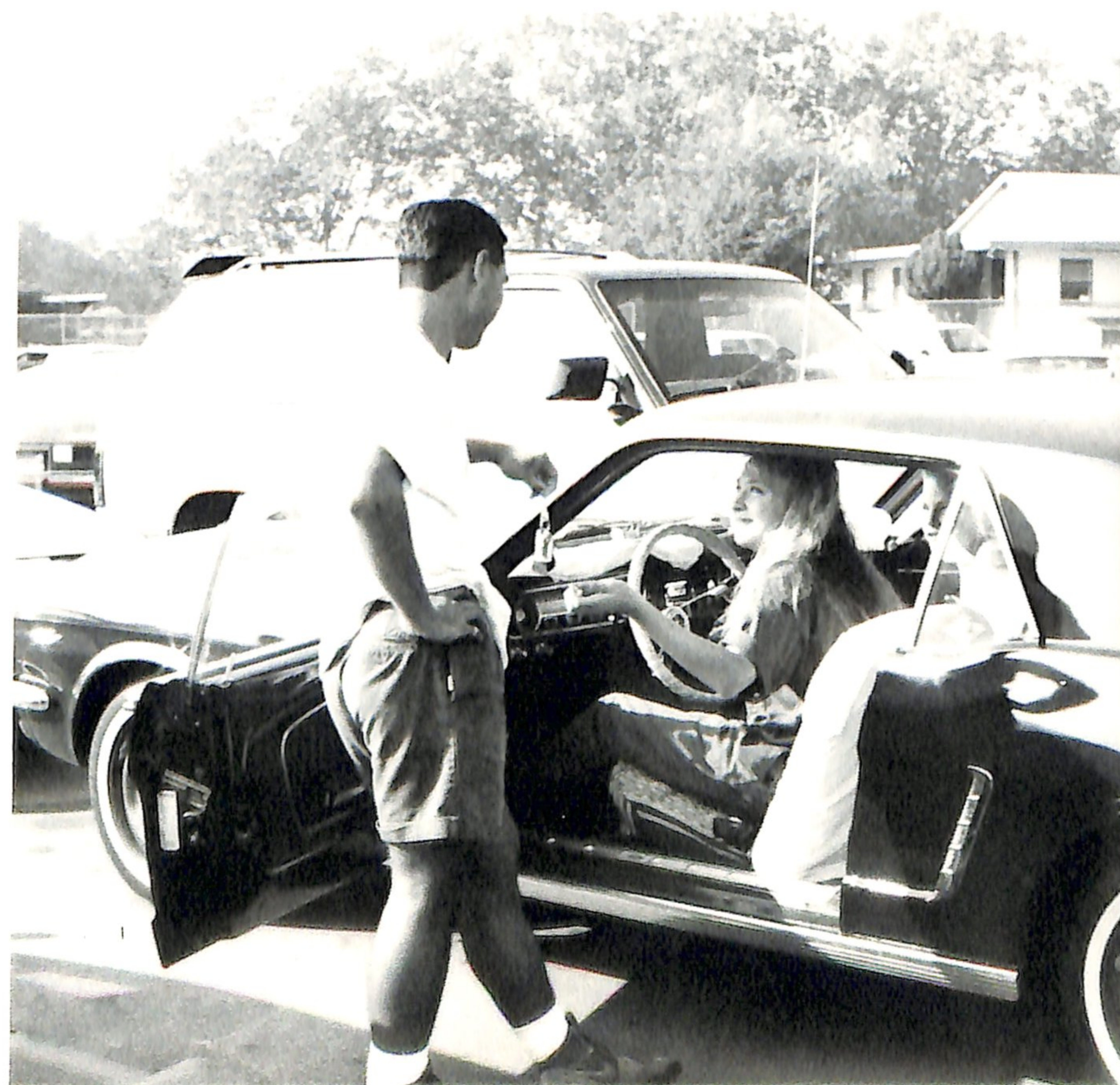
"A friend of mine wanted to throw a party but had no place to have it at. He had a brilliant idea to borrow my house to party in ... Yeah Right!"- Seth Baumgarten



"A lady friend that I was once acquainted with really wanted a little brother. She thought that my brother was cute, so she asked if she could borrow him. It sounded like a good idea, but I decided to keep him." -Will Shaffer



▲ "I hate lending money the most." Eric Kanemoto replied. "But for a cute girl, I can make exceptions!" Kristen Sanders smiles as she cons Eric into letting her borrow lunch money.



◆ The library is extremely handy when it comes to borrowing books for a class project. David Tapp uses this borrowing system to his advantage. Although he feels the 5¢ a day late fee is too much.

◆ It was a sticky situation, but Monica Schmidt didn't mind lending gum to Ricky Stevens. "I don't mind letting Ricky borrow gum. At least I know he'll have fresh breath!" Monica said.

All Borrowed Out

Just When You Needed It Most, It's Gone!



He gets up exhausted and reaches for his shoes. They're not there! He lent them to Fred. This is the night he needs them the most - he going to the school football game. He jumps up and makes a run for his closet to grab his 501's. Joe has those! He needs them; what to do? He goes to the garage only to realize that his girlfriend has borrowed his car . . .

Most people like to borrow and lend personal items to friends or family members. It is sometimes a way to show trust. Senior Kelly Brannan confessed, "I like it when people let me borrow their belongings. Then I know that they trust me." However, what happens when you lose that item? Greg Edwards summed that up by saying, "I don't mind lending out my things but when friends lose them, I can no longer trust those people."

I borrowed money and spent it, but said that it must have fallen out of a hole in my pocket.-Gloria Hammad

Another good thing about borrowing is that it allows people to wear different clothes and have a variety of options. Amy Morgan said, "When you borrow clothes, you never have to worry about wearing the same thing twice." However, Senior Amy O'Brannovich said, "Once I borrowed a pair of black tights from Julie Howell and accidentally sat in gum."

People generally agree that borrowing is a good thing as long as you don't do too much of it. As long as there is as much lending as borrowing and the items are returned, students agreed that borrowing isn't a bad thing.



◆ Pat Wulsin holds onto his keys, uncertain whether to let Jennifer Wilsin drive his car. "It's hard to say no to a pretty girl. Then again, I want my car to remain pretty also!" Wulsin said.

◆ Mrs. Street looks disapprovingly as Mark Ruttan slyly reaches for Jimmy Marshall's class notes. "I really was only borrowing his notes to compare them with mine", said Ruttan.



◆ "Girls fight over me so much. It's hard to be a ladies' man when I'm borrowed every other day." Mike Daniel said, as Dannyuelle Smith and Marie Townsend fight over him.

◆ "This time," pleaded Amber Smith, "Try and return my clothes sometime this year." Kim Kibler triumphantly finished a raid for clothes on Smith's closet.

What's the craziest stunt you've pulled at a summer camp?

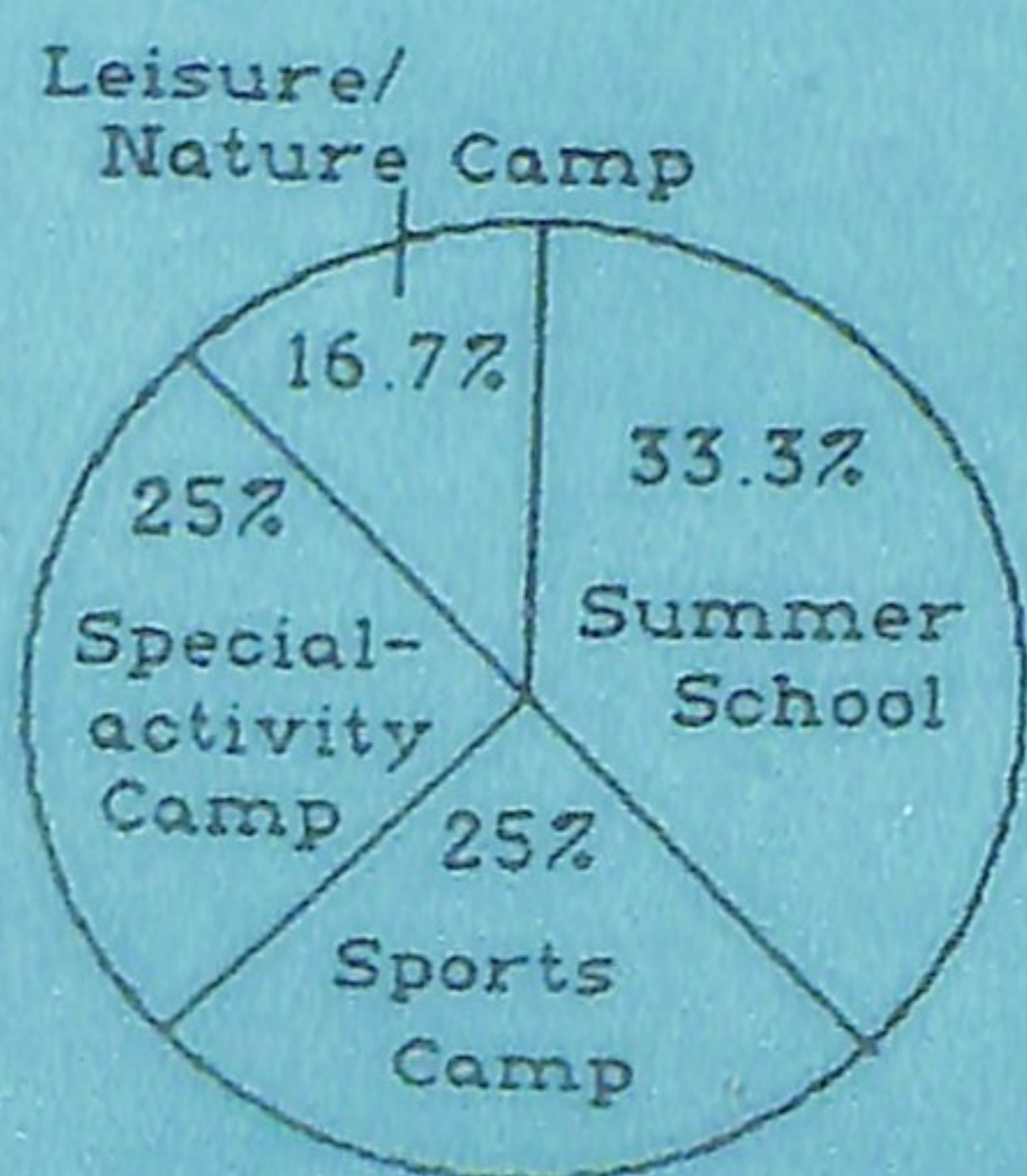


"A friend and I went to a beach camp. We met a lifeguard and he invited us to an all-night Jambo-ree. We danced the night away and fell asleep on the beach."
Anne Mikolajcik



"The most bizarre thing that I've ever done at summer camp was late one night I snuck out of my tent and climbed to the top of a boulder and began singing songs by The Doors. I woke up everyone in the entire camp."
Matt Wagar

The ratio of students attending the four major types of summer camps.



◆ Poise and concentration are the keys to archery. David Guberman practices at a summer camp. "I love to shoot my bow and arrow," David says, "It makes me feel like Rambo!"



Camporama

Determined Students Give It Their All During The Summer

Summer is not a time to just sit around and get a tan. For many students, summer is a time to work hard and venture off into the realm of summer camps.

There are many different types of summer camps. In all cases, summer camps involve learning; whether it be a baseball camp, or a nature camp, learning is always a part of camp life.

The reasons for attending a summer camp were different for each person. "I went to baseball camp to perfect my bunting and baserunning." -says John Sellers about the Orlando Cepeda All-

"I think summer camp is a great place for kids to go to take their minds off of the stresses of everyday life."
- Marc Hsu

Pro Baseball Camp he attended. Jesse Gross says, "I went to camp Toolume because it was very peaceful, and I enjoy the tranquility of nature." "I had no choice," explained Paul Delarmente, "Summer school was my summer camp and I had to go, but I had a very educational time."

Summer camp is not always just a good time. Serious work

and dedication are involved. "I attended the High Cascade Snowboard Camp last summer and it was more work than I expected. About 40% of the time was spent dry-land training, which is all exercising; jogging and running were just a few of the ways used to get the campers in shape for snowboarding." explains Justin Cheung.

Attending a summer camp is a very rewarding experience. It not only teaches many valuable lessons, it provides relief from sitting next to a swimming pool in the hot sun, drinking a glass of lemonade.



◆ For John Sellers, baseball is more than just America's favorite passtime. While attending the Orlando Cepeda All-Pro Baseball Camp, he improved his hitting, bunting, fielding, and baserunning. This camp will be remembered by the autographed photo of his two new friends, Orlando Cepeda and Warren Bruester.



◆ Putting together the yearbook is a lot more work than most suspect. Sam Batista, Jenea Smith, and Sasha Landis attended a yearbook camp over the summer in hopes of producing an award-winning book. Yearbook advisor, Ellen Merrick was an instructor at yearbook camp held at the California Maritime Academy.

◆ Taking a hike through Moon Valley, Arizona, Vickie Cheung explores the hidden beauty of the Navajo Indian Reservation. This camp focused on the value of Indian traditions. "I'm so thankful that I took this trip because it gave me a sense of togetherness with the environment." Said Vickie Cheng.



◆ Taking a break from the busy schedule of CADA camp, Lisa Freer, Amy Gemmer, and Amy O'Branovich take time to goof around. CADA Camp is a Leadership camp in which students learn how to unite their student body.

◆ Using the skills he learned over the summer at a Mt. Hood Summer Snowboarding Camp, David Barnett grabs frontside while jumping over a boulder.



How do you feel about the population problem on campus?



"I feel that the only solution to this problem is to build more schools in the district." -Brian Spain



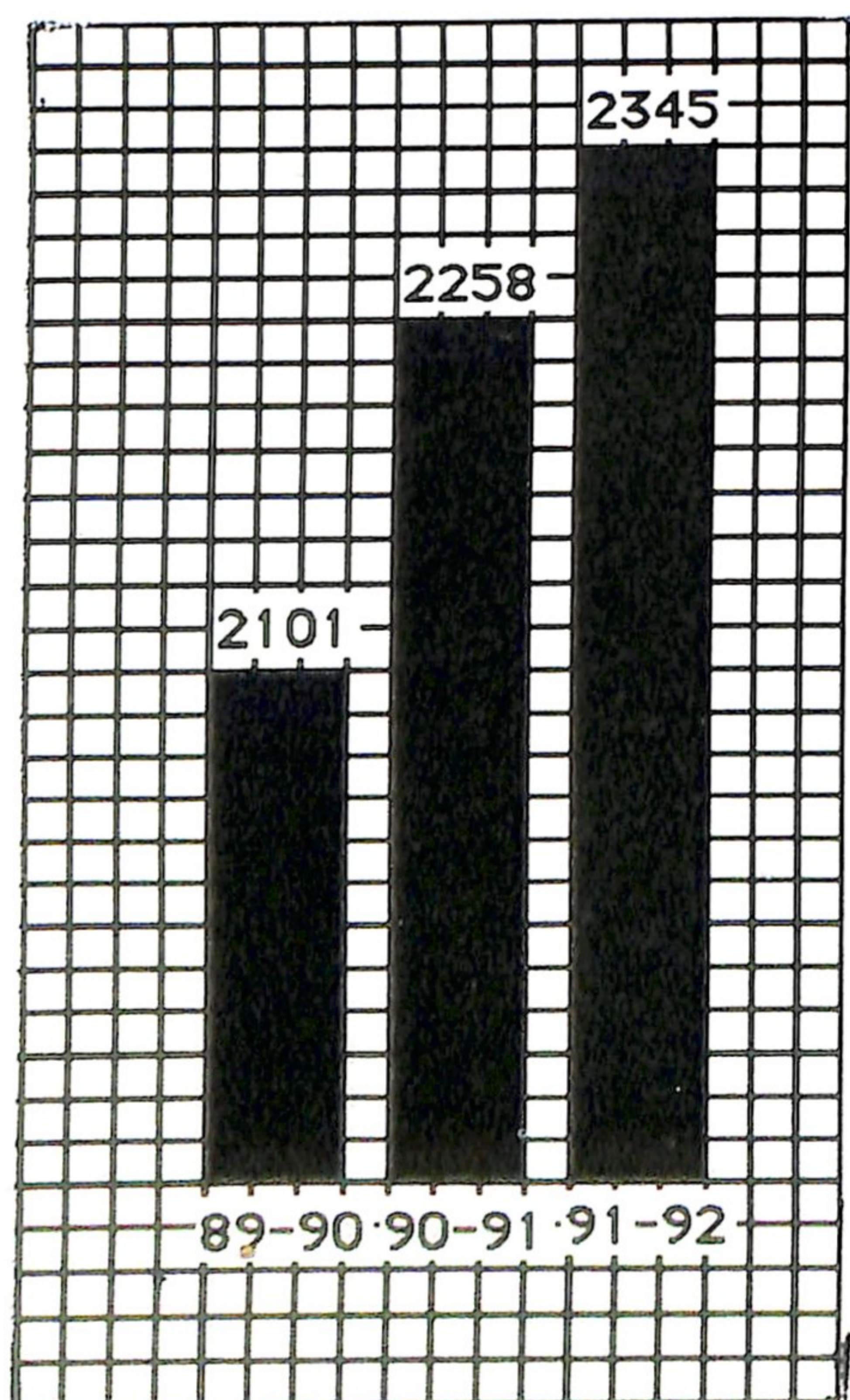
"The classes are just too large for good learning to take place." -Dana Kromm



"I like the crowds on campus, it brings all of us together, like Jelly Bellys in a jar." - Amber Smith



♦ Fighting the crowds in the quad these students try to get to class on time. Traffic jams occurred quite frequently. Ronnie Wilson pointed out. "It was like being crushed in the pit at a Primus concert."



♦ In the past three years the campus has grown considerably. With the current growth rate, projected estimates were given at over 3,500 students for the school year of '95-'96.

◆ Portables! More are being added every year. Mrs. McQuitty said, "The community needs to become aware of the more and more students on campus. There just isn't any room for more portables."

➤ At a teacher workshop, Mrs. Karen Street suggested, "If half of the seniors went to class Mon. and Wed. and the other half Tues. and Thurs. with the whole on Fri.; this would decrease the number of students per class."

◆ Overcrowding can be a real hassle especially in classrooms. Here in Mr. Facque's third period class, some students didn't even have a desk to work at.



No Vacancy!

Portables and personnel; How much is enough?

The key words this year seemed to be more, more, more. There were more lunches, more teachers, more students, more portables, and in short, more of everything. There were 29 portables on campus and 20 new teachers to accommodate the 308 more students than last year's.

However, more is not always better. The campus was just plain overcrowded. Change was therefore eminent. One such change occurred, in October, in the form of split lunches. Dave Tapp said, "I came to realize that without split lunches the campus would

School is not just a realm to learn in but it's also your home. Who wants to live in a crowded house?

-Josh Putz

closed. Therefore I was willing to accept the change as long as I could still go to the mall for lunch."

Other ideas such as double sessions, extended day, and year round schooling were discussed for the future. In the meantime, students had to learn to deal with the crowd situation. As Robert Ayer quoted, "I don't quite understand why people worried so

much about crowding for the simple reason that we had many greater things that need to be dealt with first."

Many students didn't even notice the population problem. Jason Parkhouse said, "I didn't pay attention to anything else at school except completing my work on time and getting good grades." For many people they were so used to the crowds that when asked about it, they were surprised. "I didn't even really notice it because I am so used to it. We've had overcrowding since my days of elementary school." Mike Kim



▲ Campus during lunch has turned into a desolate sight. Here Kristie Davenport and Willy Welch sit in peace wondering why they were the only ones with B lunch.

Do you feel that your clothes reflect your lifestyle?



Alan Chon: "My clothing does reflect my lifestyle because I lead a very casual life and therefore I dress very casually."



Johanna McKenzie: "Yes. The fact that I'm not insecure about what I wear shows that I'm not insecure about who I am. I dress for myself because that's who I am."

Say What???

chill: vb, Hanging out casually with your buddies.
fly: adj, Looking good, as in describing a guy or gal.
gil: adj, Exceptionally cool.
heinous: adj, An extremely awful experience.
homey: n, Someone that you're down with, a good friend.
stylin': adj, Looking very stylish in the latest attire.
stone-cold: adj, Straight-up smooth.

Being Ourselves!

And It Goes A Little Somethin' Like This...

Personal style. Everybody's got it. Everyone is unique in one way or another and originality couldn't possibly be expressed

any better than by today's teenagers. When Sophomore Marcus Smith was asked what he felt his most unique characteristic was, he said: "It could be my hair because it's the first thing people notice about me and it's also what they remember me by." Marcus has a six and a half inch high top fade.

Taking a stroll through Armijo's parking lot, the first thing one may notice is the diversity of our student's styles. One sees starter jackets, baseball caps, baggy jeans, reggae style, black leather motorcycle jackets, fresh Stussy gear, bright sweaters, v-neck tees

“Ignore all the codes of the day and let your juvenile impulses sway . . .”
-Morrissey, of "The Smiths"

in every color, tie-dye everything, B.U.M. equipment, XXL overalls, Levis cut-offs, floral print, the list is absolutely infinite. It's almost exhausting to just look at! Freshman Will Baker was asked why he prefers to dress the way he does to which he answered: "I don't like to follow trends because everyone looks the same and I like having my own style."

Clothing is not even where personal style ends. One cannot forget about shoes! These range from Nike Airs to Birkenstocks! Junior Eric Strecker was asked what type of shoe he prefers: "My favorite pair of shoes are my Birk's.

They're kick-back and comfy to wear."

The music teens listen to is also extremely variable. There is soul, rap, top 40, reggae, alternative, house, heavy metal, club music, classical, jazz, classic rock, and folk music. Senior Julie Howell: "I don't like just one specific type of music. I like reggae, classical, alternative, classic rock, and some rap like Public Enemy. My two favorite groups are the Doors and Led Zeppelin. Lyrics are important, but what I listen to depends on what mood I'm in."

Listening in, one may also notice the slang Armijo teens use. These words are somehow mysteriously adapted, and most adults "are too set in their ways" according to senior Andrea Beaver, "Unless it's 'groovy', they just don't understand."



▲ This crew was spotted hanging out at lunch and the clothing they wear shows that they are sport addicts. They wear starter jackets, baseball caps, overalls, and lotsa black.

◆ Laura Cole likes to wear comfortable clothes that look good. From her v-neck tee shirt down to her rugged Nike hiking boots, she has achieved her own confident sense of style.





◆ A very stylish Emily Vaughan displays casual fitting jeans, a sheer floral shirt, and a black Alice Band. To accessorize her outfit perfectly, she added an Amy O'Branovich.

◆ There were a great variety of styles that were seen on campus. They are all similar, yet each student adds a little bit of their own character and lets their uniqueness shine through.



◆ Johnny Collins is the epitome of style with his "Beverly Hills 90210"-ish sideburns, earring, and shades. The M.C. Escher tee shirt he is wearing is also very unique.



◆ Putting their best foot forward are some very, different students who truly have their own tastes in shoes. Birkenstocks, ankle boots, and penny loafers were popular this year.

◆ The "B" stands for baggy! Baggianness seemed to be the 'in' thing this year and Richard Dorsey is straight up stylin' in his extra large jeans and hooded sweatshirt.



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cademics are the hardest, yet the most beneficial thing that high school can give to a student. With the combination of hardwork and dedication, a student can be shaped for the future. Whether the future means working straight out of high school, going to a J.C. or 4 year college, high school and its academic challenge will help provide the necessary background to help the students proceed with their goals. All of these things are added cement to the foundation of their lives.

High school is an important step for any enterprising youth. As Anthony Herana said, "High school prepares me for college, which is another step towards success." Academics give the determination needed to go through life with pride and initiative so everything achieved is done with this same planning.

Why exactly is high school academics so important? It provides the necessary skills that students need to face the real world. Garret Alway said, "Even though I'm only a freshman, I'm already learning things that I can tell will help me accomplish what I want with my life." The different classes available to the students play to the different goals that each individual may have for themselves and what they plan to do with their future. "I'm glad that Business Law and other such classes are available on campus. By taking these classes, I'm beginning my future, because I plan to enter the business world after high school," said Melanie Wilhoite.

Not only is it important what the students learn, but how it is taught. Teachers play a key role in how effectively students learn. They guide and give them a lasting impression of where their specialty will take them. As proven in the recent years, teacher/student involvement encourages academic success. "The first thing that Mr. Petty told me when I began teaching here was to take risks. This gave me the chance not to just tell students the answers, but to pull the answers from them. By keeping my mind open to new and better ideas, I encourage my students to do the same. In all, this creates an environment in which my students take risks and grow through their experiences," said Ms. Ellen Merrick.

For some people, high school is where they learn how to take responsibility in order to enter the working world. As for others, it's a stepping stone to further education in college. No matter how you look at it through, makin' the grade is a major start on the road to success.



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Grade



As Mr. Mandin's pet snake intertwines its immense body through the skull of a sabar tooth tiger, Inner Core Curriculum students Lori Reagle and Charles Boggs felt the snake's smooth skin. "Doing projects is the best part of the class. Not only are they worth the most points, but they help my grade. Most of all, projects make learning fun and that's important," said Lori Reagle.

Major Text Overload

Too Many Books, Too Little Time

Books, you can't live with them and you can't live without them. Everyday students brought up to six books to school and several people felt that we really didn't need that many to learn properly. Others felt that they are an important part of our curriculum.

Students believed that it was sometimes unnecessary to cart their books to class. They are heavy and weigh people down. It also seemed that the lockers didn't have the capacity to hold all of the books and binders carried by the typical student. If you had a partner, it made matters worse. Between the two of you, you might have had up to twelve books and binders in your locker. "There were shelves in our locker so we tried to organize everything and we only kept our binders and books inside it," Wendie Warf said.

The number of books taken

home by the average student depended on the amount of homework or the willingness to study for classes. Many teachers believed that their books should always be taken home. "I usually had homework in all of my classes, so consequently, I had to take a lot of books home. Some teachers gave a lot of homework and didn't consider my other classes," said Kristy Lum.

Some students felt that a lecture, as opposed to reading a book, was often the more effective way of learning. Instructors spent hours lecturing, hoping they would get a message across, while others assigned reading.

A few subjects, such as United States History and Calculus, had incredibly thick and heavy books, while others were light and thin. But size didn't necessarily guarantee you the quality of information inside. "I've had big books that take a long time to tell you very little, but I've also had small

books that told me a lot," Laura Sandberg said.

Required reading in English classes is not the only reading that many students completed. Outside reading was popular with lots of students. Although one's favorite books could be the one that they read for English class. "I understood why we have had as much reading as we did. I didn't necessarily like it, but I still read other books for pleasure," said Cherati Hart.

Almost all of the books distributed were issued through the book room. It was a new program which began last year and is an effective idea. All of the books were shelved by a numbering system. Teachers signed up at the beginning of the year in time slots for each of the books that their respective classes required. Because of books, our school has excelled academically.

"Before my U.S. History final, I did some last minute studying. Even though it's not much fun, I know it helps me and I do it when I have to."

-Debbie Ewer

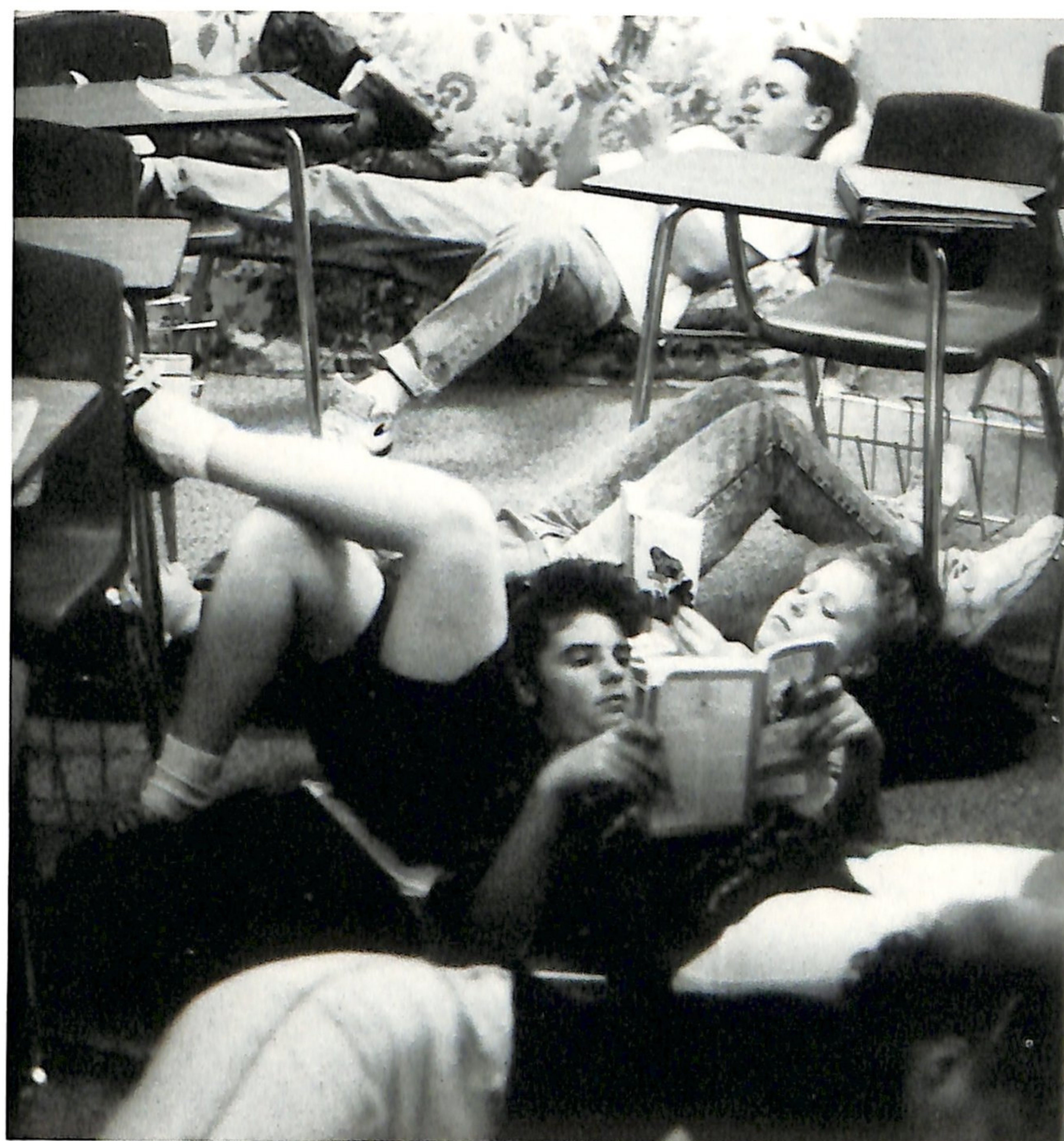


▲ Vikki Ellison was reading her English book before her advanced composition class, while preparing for the day's class. "I tried to study as much as I could, even before class," she said. Students always made sure that they knew the concepts of what they were learning, in biology or English.



◆ Taking advantage of the quiet hallway, Jeremy Hemingway studied his German. "After the halls have cleared, I find it the ideal place to study," he said. A common sight at school were students pulling up a piece of tile and studying; before school, at lunch, and after school.

◆ Scott Hardy, Amber Asbe, and Jamie Campbell experimented with a new way of reading their required English books during their sixth period English class. New methods of teaching were tested by many teachers all over campus during the school year.



◆ Christa Ricketts studied for a math test before class began. "Cramming doesn't always work, but it gets you by," said Christa. Last minute cramming abounded during school throughout the year. Even though it didn't help in the long run, it was still popular with many students.

◆ The book room caught a quick moment of silence before the next batch of books came in. Although the book room is a new program which started last year, it is working well. Almost all of the textbooks used at school were stored and issued here.

Pssst . . . Who's That?

New Faces May Be Your New Friends

Walking alone was something Junior Pablo Tacuri had to do when he first transferred from San Francisco. After awhile he became friends with Ricki Ramirez and Jason Victor. "I didn't want to come to this school at first but after awhile it was alright," Pablo remarked.

When a new student, unknown to anyone, walked the lonely halls on campus, many people wondered who that person was. Questions such as: What's his/her name? Where are they from? What are they like? and other similar thoughts entered a curious observer's mind. "I enjoyed meeting new people and when I saw a new face, I was anxious to get to know them. I wanted them to know that there was someone that could help them to adjust," replied Teresa Antonio.

Approaching a new student was, usually, easier on the part of the individual who was already familiar with this environment, as compared to the new arrival, who may have felt slightly intimidated and overwhelmed by the crowd of new faces. Junior Darlene Perez, from Guam, appreciated the efforts of her newly found friends who made her feel im-

mediately at ease. "Juliette Ordonia and Terri Magpusao introduced themselves to me and they showed me around the school. They helped me out a lot," said Darlene.

Coming from a nearby city or halfway across the country, most new students faced obstacles. Returning to the United States from living abroad in Sigonella, Sicily, Sophomore Claire Moreno had to get used to some American traditions. "At first, I was sort of culture shocked. I hadn't seen a mall or a fast food place in four years. There weren't any in Italy. In addition to that, this school seemed much larger than my old school. It had less than three hundred students from grades seven through twelve," said Claire. Also, moving from another country created some academic hardships as well as some advantages. Already fluent in her native language of German, Junior Najla Ekhlash found her studies in foreign language

class less strenuous than all of her other courses. "Since I didn't speak English very well, I had problems in my classes. But German class was fun because I could speak with the students and the teacher, Mr. Summers," said Najla.

Although socializing was not the sole purpose of school, it was a good place to meet people. "When I saw Claire, who was a new student, my friend Allan Cayabyab and I decided to introduce ourselves since we both knew how hard it was to be the new student," said Sophomore Gerald Limlingan.

Attending classes with a variety of distinct personalities and backgrounds and interacting with their peers gave new pupils opportunities to develop friendships. It was never an easy task being the new kid in school but it was an experience to make new friends and gain knowledge about new places.



"I like it better here than in Mississippi because people are friendlier so I made friends faster," -Heidi Anderson





◆ For some people, making new friends at a new school is hard, but for others it is actually quite easy. Maricar Jacob, from San Francisco, met other students like Sharlene Lakhani the easy way. "People didn't talk to me at first, so I just started talking to them," said Freshman Maricar.

◆ Most new students that are unfamiliar to the campus have to make sure they're going the right way. Junior Darlene Perez double-checked her schedule before she walked into her class. "This campus is a lot bigger than my old school so it took me awhile to get used to it," said Darlene.



◆ Entering a class in a new school is a scary thought. Sophomore Claire Moreno from Sigonella, Sicily, had experienced some jitters at first. Her nervousness quickly vanished when she met her Accounting teacher Mr. Cymanski. "Mr. Cymanski made my first day easier because he was so friendly," said Claire.

◆ Learning a foreign language was difficult for others but it came naturally for new arrival, Najla Ekhlasi. A native of Germany, she found her studies for German class enjoyable. "I didn't like the writing part of the subject but speaking the language was fun," said Najla.



◆ Being in a military family and moving aren't choices one could make. Senior Michelle Salinas wasn't able to stay long in any high school before she moved again. "I moved so much that this is now my fifth high school and I'm already a senior," said Michelle.

◆ Damien Bowman, Courtney Smith, and Troy Duncan tune up the go-cart for Intro Technology class. The students have a manual to work from and learn such basics as rotating tires and checking shock absorbers. "It was interesting to learn how to do the adjustments," says Bowman.



A Different Approach

New Twists to Presenting Projects

Have you ever had a 350 pound project? The students in Ms. Kennedy's Agriculture class learned what it was like to feed, clean, and take care of one of these huge responsibilities on campus—it was a 350 pound pig. When Fred Watson was asked why he chose to take on the task of raising a pig he replied, "The main reason is money. We raise the animal, then auction it off at area fairs."

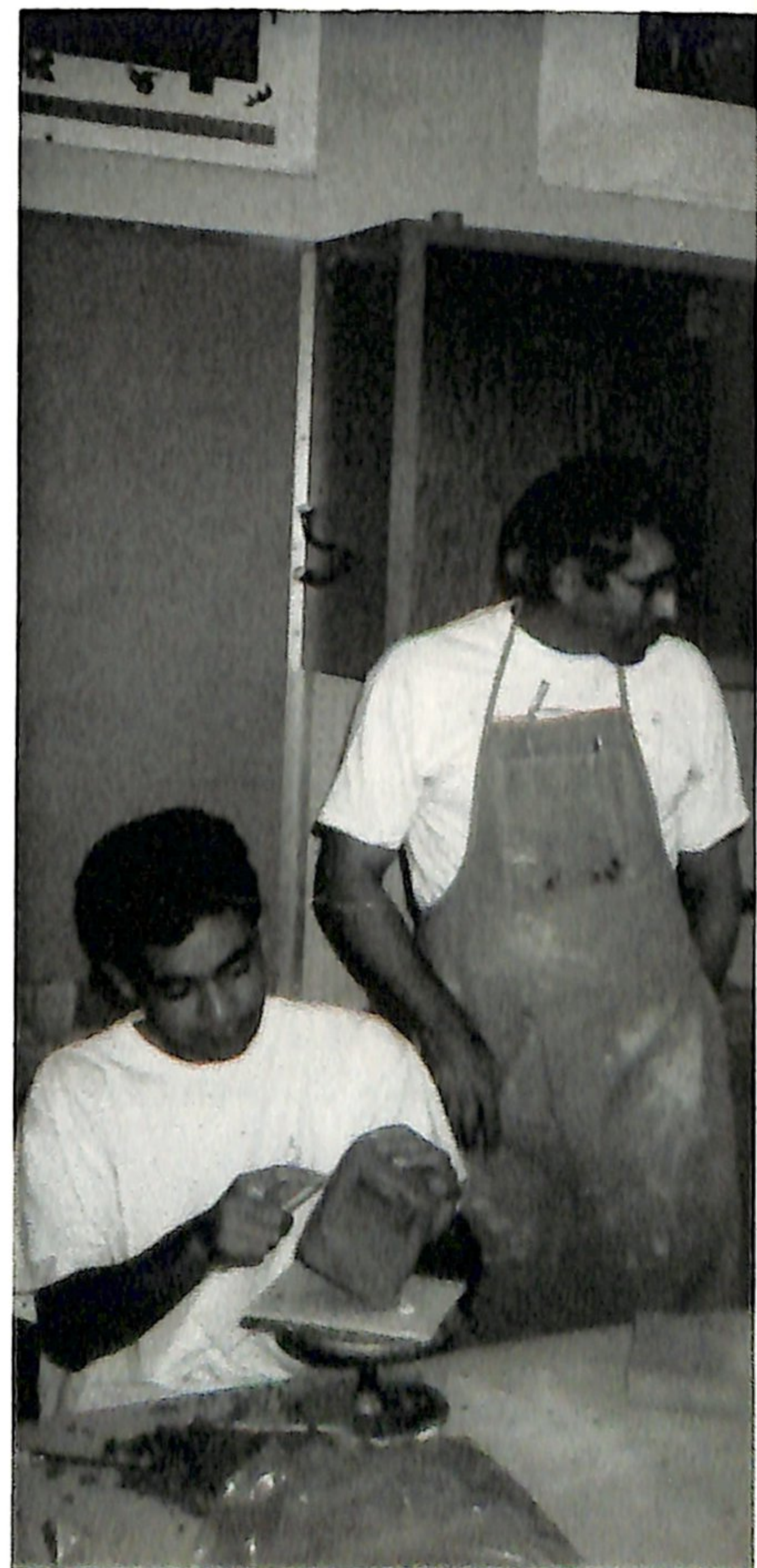
Many students prefer to do a project for class rather than an essay or report. "When doing a project you can express yourself fully and bring out more creativity," said Gerona

Goethe. Whether the project is sculpting a piece of clay in Ceramics, or taking a trip to the courthouse for Business Law, it always seems more exciting than listening to a lecture or taking notes. "A lot of times when we went to the courthouse to watch a trial, it was scary because it brought to reality all of the violent crimes that take place," said Tiffany Martindale. "Sometimes there weren't any exciting trials going on but it was still an experience."

Field trips are a special type of project. ICC student Marques Ford had the opportunity to meet Solano County's only female judge, Ramona Garrett, while on

a field trip to the Fairfield Courthouse. "Judge Garrett was an interesting lady. She really impressed me as someone who had control in her life. She gave us a tour of the courtroom and shared about her life," said Marques. Sandra Gong was on the same field trip. "Judge Garrett felt it very important for people to know that despite seemingly impossible obstacles, a person can still succeed. It meant a lot to me to hear that from a person of her position. She is a role model for all women in the 90's," said Sandra.

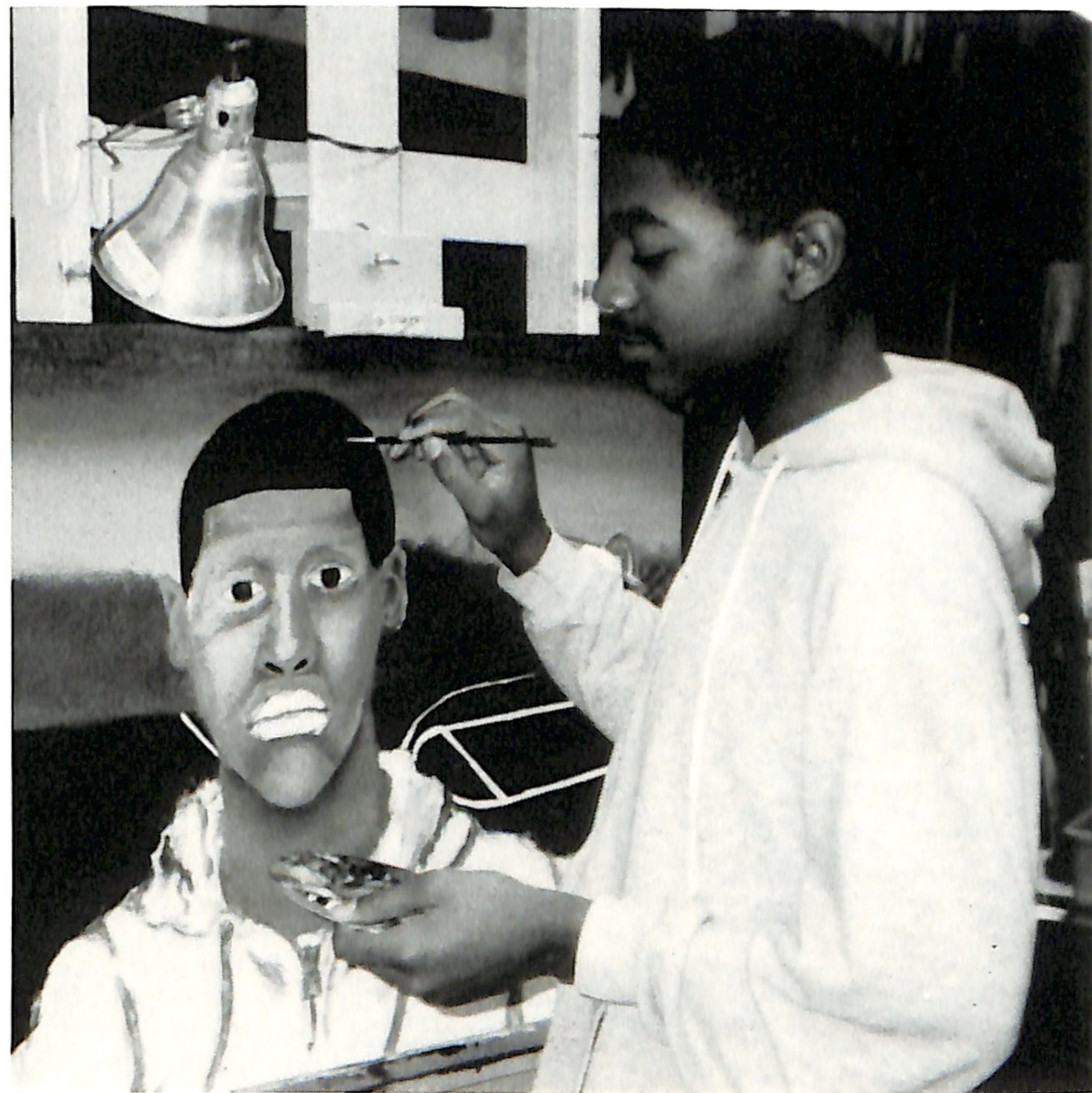
Projects are always exciting, no matter where they take you.



◆ Armijo graduate Ramona Garrett, the first woman judge for Solano County, gives an inspirational, informal lecture about responsibility to Freshmen Marques Ford and Sandra Gong. "It feels good to know that a successful woman like Mrs. Garrett went to Armijo. It gives me hope," commented Sandra.

◆ Senior Sherie Tsosie poses with a smile for Greg Ledford as he takes studio shots for a project in Photography class. "There is a lot more work involved in making a good picture than most people think. You need time, patience, and a lot of equipment to finish the final product," said Greg.

◆ With great expression of his natural artistic talents, Junior Courtney Smith displays good composition in a self-portrait painting. "The effort and time I put into this painting really paid off," said Courtney. This mirror-like image was a creation for Mr. Sechler's AP Studio Art class.



"It is fun feeding and taking care of the animals at school, but first I have to catch them any way that I can."

-Jennifer Faulkner



◆ As Arnie Arroyo begins to sculpt, a soon-to-be-work of art in Ceramics class, Mr. Cote looks around to see if the rest of his students are as hard at work as Arnie. "In Ceramics, I can use all of my creativity and imagination to make anything my heart desires," said Arnie.

◆ Sophomore Phat Hua carefully cools down the hot flask in water to retrieve his newly created ring inside. "In this class you can make a variety of different pieces of art. A few are rings, necklace charms, or a broche," said Phat in describing his jewelry class.



◆ Johanna Rillo and Amy Cefaratti displayed their custom built home. They started from scratch and ended with a miniature dream house. "The hardest part of building the house was the bathroom, the most rewarding part was the end result," said Johanna and Amy.

◆ "I like having art in my math class because it makes math fun and easier to understand. It gives us a break from the everyday routine," said Maricela Espinoza. Maricela showed off some art work where they used math and art to re-make cartoons.



Hands On!

Art & Academics

What do English, Math, Science, and History have in common? They all involve art as a teaching strategy to extend and enrich the curriculum being taught.

Rather than writing a novel, the students in an English class were asked to draw a scene from a story they were reading to show comprehension. Most teachers felt that it was important to incorporate words and pictures in the teaching of English.

Because students learned differently, it was important to use different techniques to teach a lesson. For example, some students are auditory learners and were able to process concepts by hearing them. Some students are visual learners. If they saw or read something, they could remember it. The other type of

learner was the kinetic learner. This person needed to have hands-on involvement.

In some geometry classes students drew pictures using geometric lines to better understand geometry. "It makes the class more unusual and learning more enjoyable," said Najiba Kharufeh.

Alex Glaude is in Mrs. Carter's English class. "I like having art work combined with regular class because I enjoy drawing and it brings more fun to the work," he said.

Many teachers today have restructured their curriculum to allow their students to express themselves through art. "Incorporating art in academic classes provides for effective communication. Some students get the point more effectively with the use of art," said Ms. Mundy.



◆ Alan Chon, Sean Clements, Josh Patterson, and Melinda Muir held a quilt made in their U.S. History class. The quilt displays the different cultures represented in their class. "I thought it was interesting because I learned a lot about my country," said Sean. Melinda added, "It helped us learn about other cultures and it was fun making the quilt."

◆ Alex Glaude and Rob Lentz, work hard on their art project to create scenes from the book *The Old Man and the Sea*. "This type of project brings the book alive and gives it a lasting impression for the students," commented Mrs. Carter.



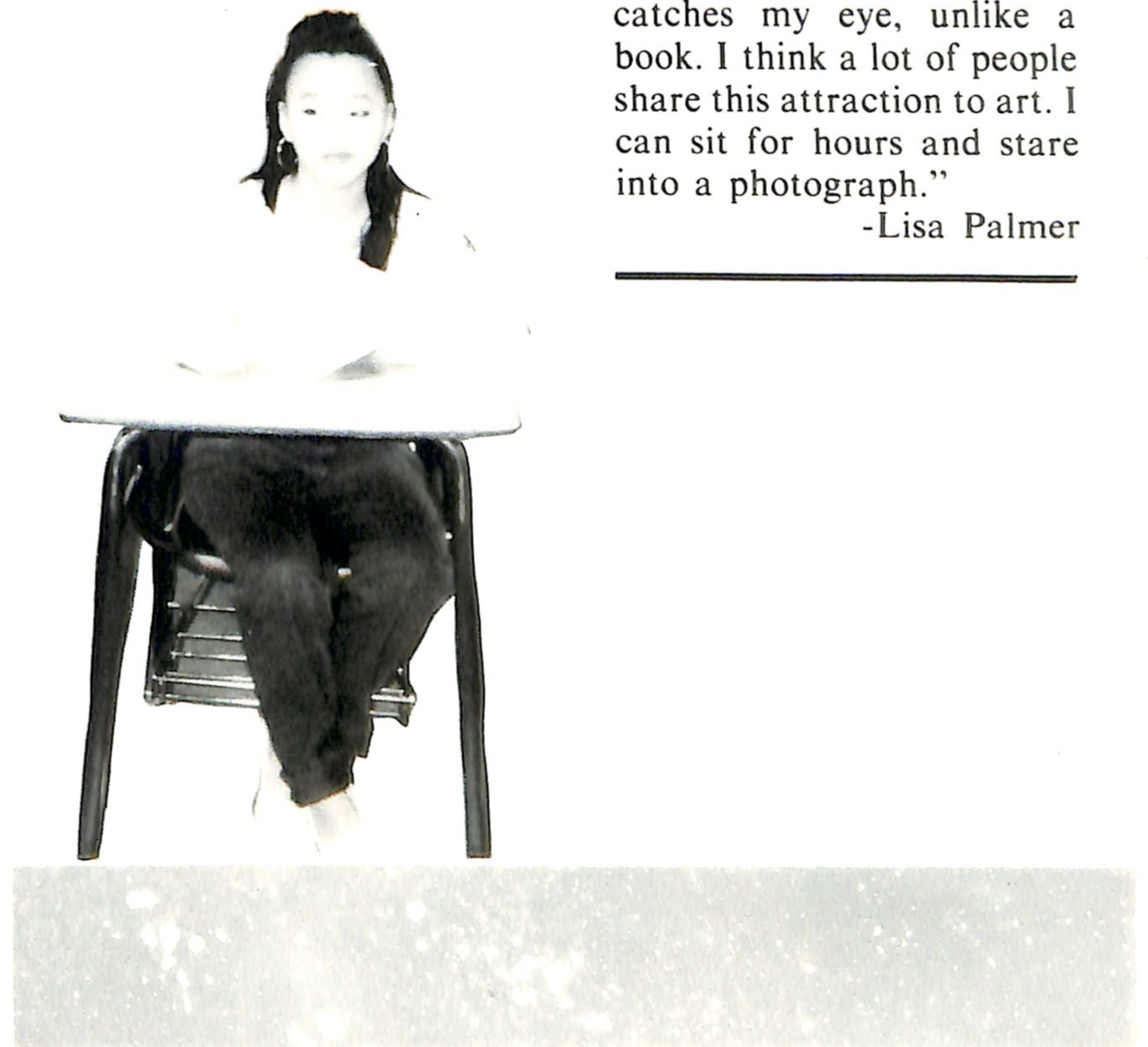
◆ While reading *Beowulf*, Mrs. Street's World Lit. class drew the dragon from the book. Drawing the dragon took only one class period, teamwork, and colored chalk. "It is a lot of fun to do art work. It helps me visualize what I am reading. It also lets everyone know who are artists and who are not," said C.J. Johnson.

◆ Jeana O'Donnell displays the house she built in her interior decorating class. Before the class could build their houses, they had to do research first. "The bookwork seemed to pay off because I got to use my creativity to build something with my hands," she said.



"Personally, artwork catches my eye, unlike a book. I think a lot of people share this attraction to art. I can sit for hours and stare into a photograph."

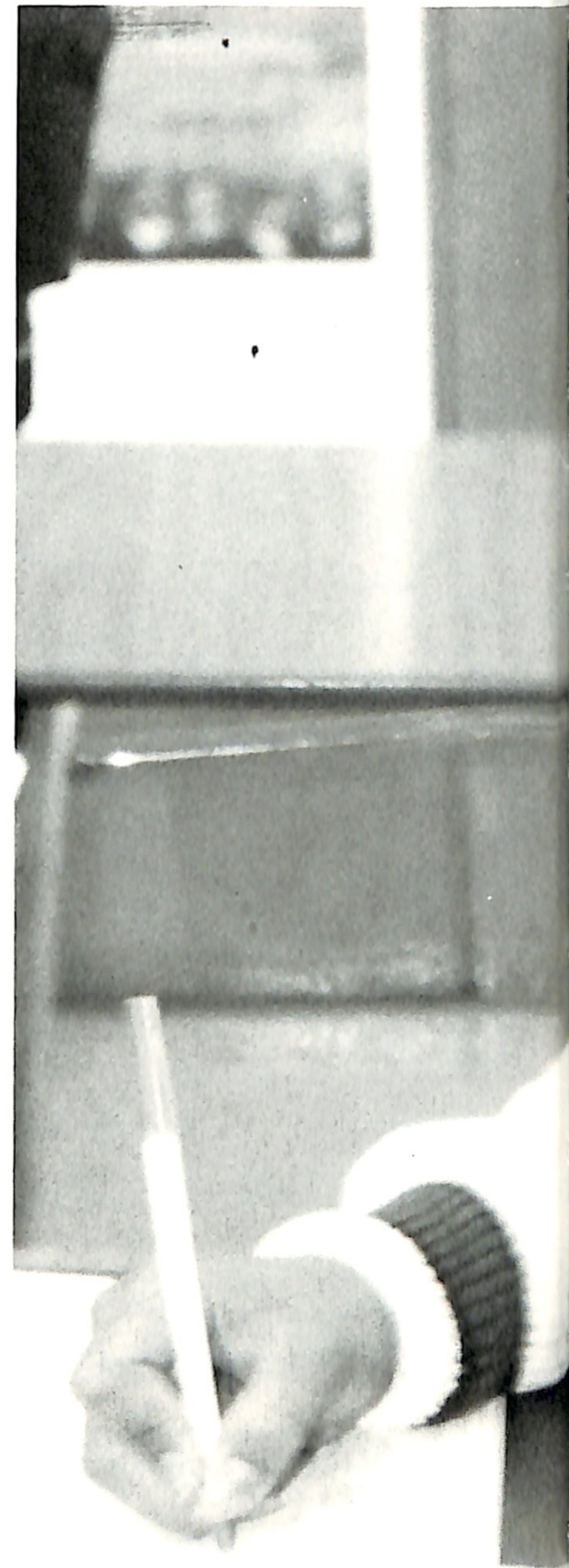
-Lisa Palmer



◆ Junior Jessie Gross concentrated on his studies within seconds of his test. Jessie, who had crammed his way through his Junior year, remarked, "It is hard to find time for studying. All of us are very busy already with a lot of other things. This is why I have to cram for everything."



◆ During lunchtime is a great time to get in some last minute studying. Tara Raines relaxed by a tree to finish her English reading. "I liked to study during lunch if I could because I lead a busy life. During lunch I can relax and concentrate on my studies," shared Tara.



"Sometimes the pressure can be quite overwhelming. It's hard to cope with the stress of learning."

-Joanne Barber



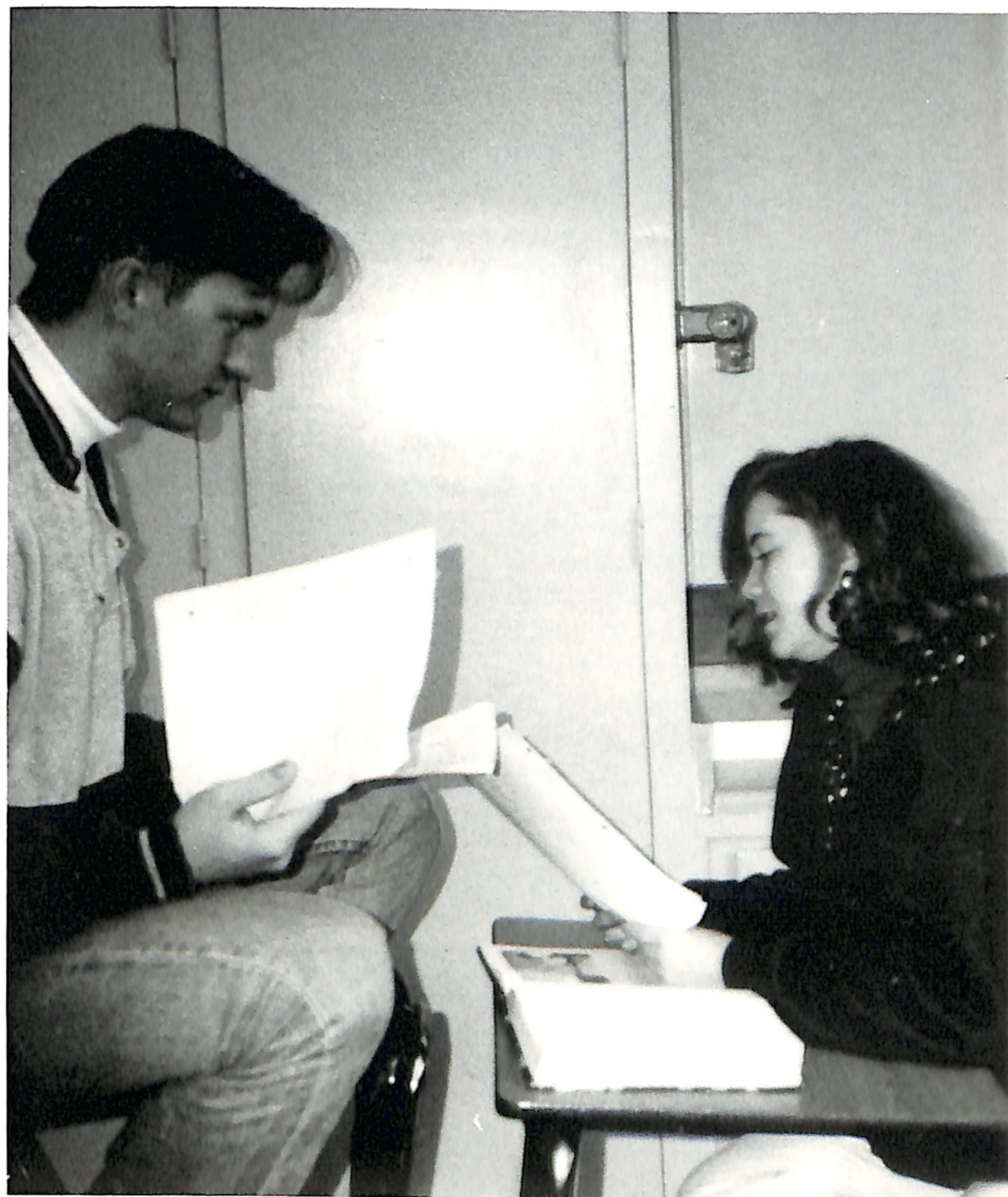
◆ Senior Kim Scholl did very well in her Anatomy/Physiology class despite her cramming habits. She learned most of the course in the last few moments before the test. "When I cram it gets me excited about the test. I feel ready to write all of the answers down without pausing from start to finish," shared Kim.

◆ It was often that T.A.'s had an advantage when it came to studying. Maccario Dagdagan crammed for his sixth period exam during his fifth period T.A. class in Mr. Harrison's office. "I could always use fifth for a study period. Instead of staying up until dawn studying, I just waited for fifth to learn it," said Macario



◆ Senior Eileen Casuga gave her notes one last look before the big government test. She had been up all night memorizing vocabulary words. "The test just snuck up on me and before I knew it, the test was the next day and I had no choice but to cram." Not surprisingly, she aced the test.

◆ Sharing the burden of studying makes it less of a chore. Seniors Kevin McQuitty and Laura Hoehn often paired up and tested each other. "Two heads are always better than one. If I didn't know the answer he would and visa versa," said Laura.



The Art of Cramming

Burning the Midnight Oil

Students around our campus have a wide range of study habits. Some of us start studying many days in advance, allowing plenty of time to master the subject. Others begin studying in the first few minutes of class before the test is handed out.

When a test is near, many times students will hold study sessions until the wee hours of the night. However, for the students who could not make it to the study sessions, there is an alternative . . . cutting. It isn't uncommon to see a couple of students ditching one class to study for another.

Many times they will go to McDonalds or other fast food places to get a bite to eat and to look over their physics notes. Famous crammer Joel Takeuchi said, "McDonalds is a nice, quiet place where I can get a lot of work done without any noise or distractions to keep me from studying."

If one wishes not to cut but also cannot make a study session because of work, then they have to combine their work and studying. Senior Mike Kim often studies at work. "Sometimes it is the only time I have. It's risky, but it's worth the risk. During one six

hour shift, I learned a whole semester of Anatomy."

There are, of course, drawbacks to cramming. Sometimes trying to learn information too quickly can cause a person to forget material in a short period of time. Senior Joe Ona said, "Take the time to study when there isn't any pressure on you and you will retain much more than if you cram." So all in all you're much better off if you take the time to study wisely. You will learn more and feel better.

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ot Just Substituting

Fill-in Teachers Have a Life Too

Substituting is one of the hardest jobs around. Coming into an unfamiliar place and having to take charge of students who have never seen you before. But why do it? Substitutes have many reasons why they chose this profession.

Mrs. Barney began substituting seven years ago to better understand her childrens education. Her daughter, Rachel, attends school here and Mrs. Barney feels that Rachel's presence doesn't interfere with her work. She has a strong relationship with Rachel and tries to treat her like other students, which sometimes isn't as easy as it sounds. "I sometimes catch myself discussing our homelife with Rachel," stated Mrs. Barney.

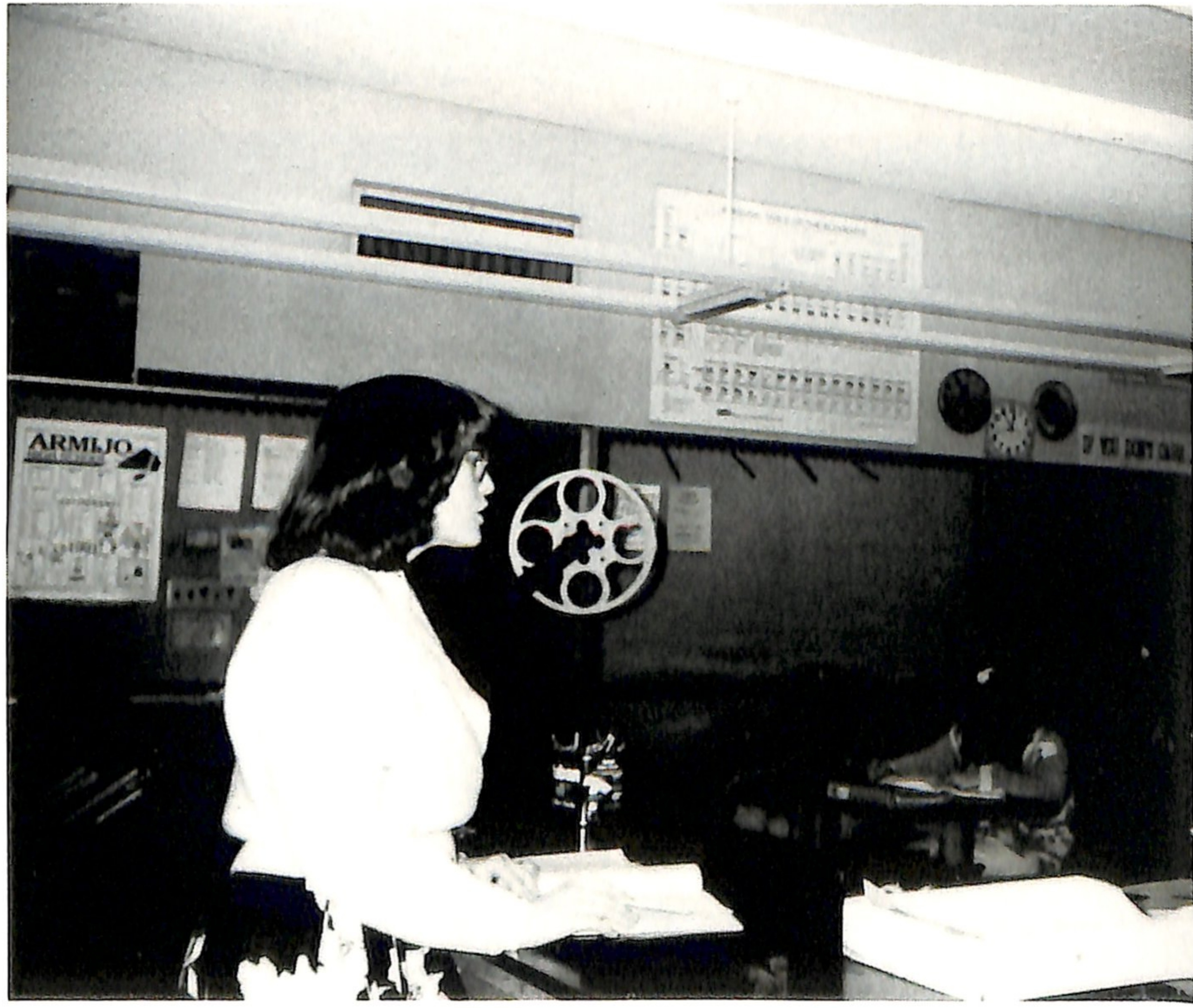
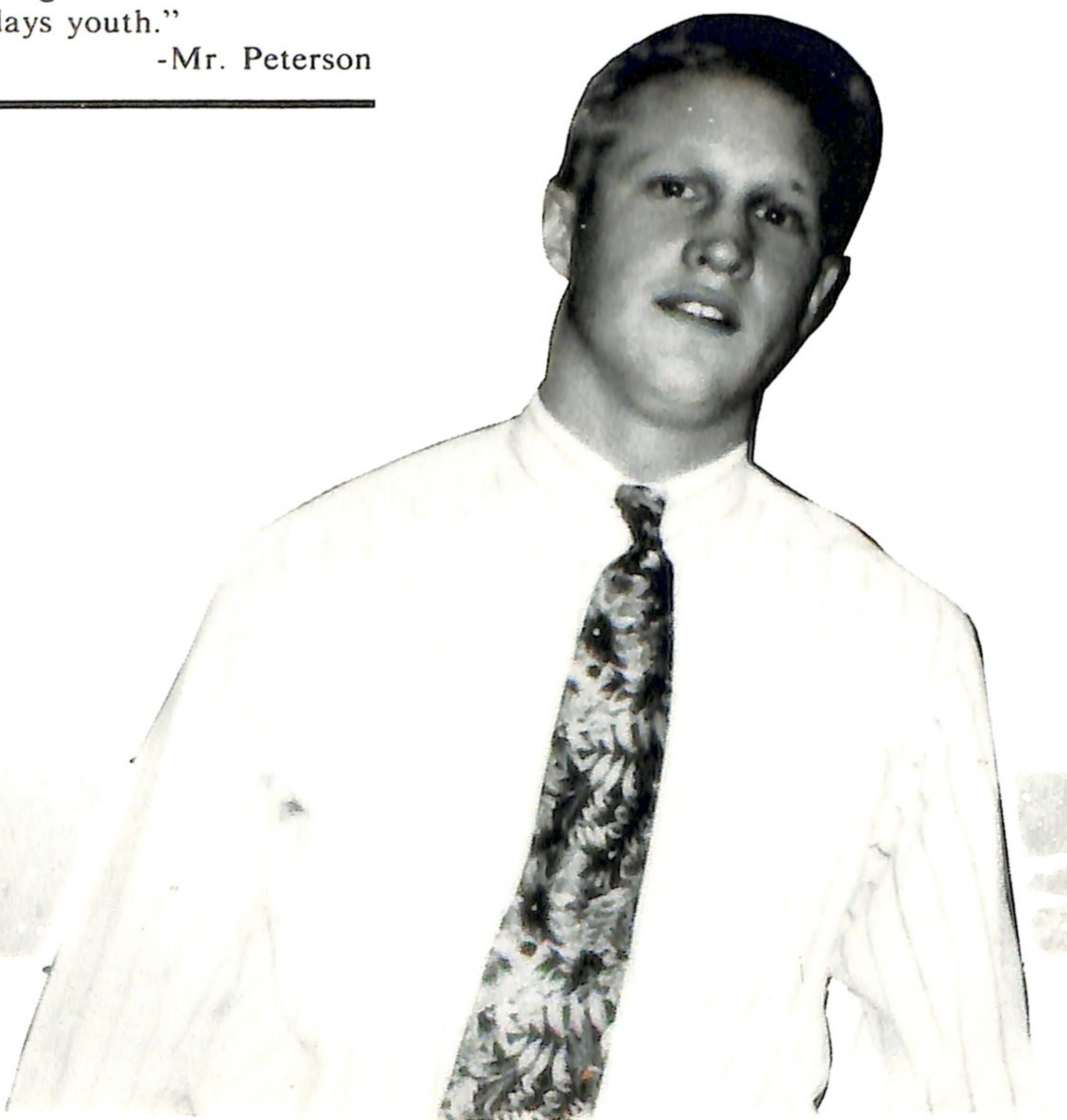
Substitute and assistant Varsity Basketball coach Mr. Peterson is a former graduate of Armijo, class of 9185. He said "I really enjoy substituting here, everybody goes out of their way

to make me feel at home." Not only did Mr. Peterson attend school here, but he also played Varsity Basketball and feels that by being an Assistant Coach makes him able to use his personal experiences from high school to help the present team.

Not all substitutes are personally connected with Armijo and don't mine where they teach. Mr. Long appreciates the opportunity to help people. He substitutes as often as possible to help the young and works in a nursing home in his spare time to help the elderly.

Many substitutes say that the staff here go out of their way to help them in any way possible. A temporary member of the staff made to feel like a permanent resident. With all these added extras, why substitute? isn't such a hard question to answer, and subbing isn't such a crazy career.

"Being a substitute and an Assistant Coach makes me feel like I'm playing a large role in the education of todays youth."
-Mr. Peterson



◆ Substitute teacher Mrs. Sotomayor has bee a sub. for three years and enjoys working at high schools because the staff and the student make her job a lot easier by being so much more mature than younger kids.



◆ Substitute teacher, Mrs. Barney, and Exchange Student Nao Fujita enjoy the view at Lake Tahoe. "Being a sub gives me the opportunity to choose when I work. I can go on short trips or long vacations whenever I wish," stated Mrs. Barney.

◆ Mrs. Christiane Monroe has been a German and English substitute teacher for seven years. She needed extra time to study for a Masters Degree in English. "I really appreciate the respect I get from the students here and how well they behave," Mrs. Monroe remarked.



◆ Mrs. Louisa Hokanson chose to become a substitute teacher so she could spend more time with her youngest daughters Kristina and Katerina. Mrs. Hokanson really enjoys teaching at high schools and feels that the kids are a big help and make her career much more enjoyable.

◆ Substitute teacher Mrs. Tyler has been substituting for almost seven years. "I needed a job which would allow me to take time off to pursue a career in refurbishing and upholstery, so I figured that subbing was for me," stated Mrs. Tyler.



♦ Many people need to *fine tune* their dancing, but for Tony Blair and Vonitra Gilbert, that isn't necessary. "I love dancing. I've been dancing as long as I can remember. I go to dance clubs often and have even choreographed many of the cheerleaders' routines," Tony said.

♦ Lara Hall, Jennifer Thompson, Jason Fox, and Kristen Saukko worked together to *fine tune* our environment. They were actively involved in Key Club all year long. "If you're concerned about the world we live in and want to work to make it a cleaner place to live, I recommend Key Club," Jason commented.



♦ *Fine tuning* a car is not an easy job. For Joel Kois and Scott Rawson, it's getting more difficult to find the problem in Joel's car. "I'm taking auto shop with Mr. Chiapero this year and it's teaching me a lot about my car. The best thing is that it's saving me tons of money!" Joel said.

♦ Mrs. Pajita gave Gin Heinrich a few tips on *fine tuning* her technique to play the piano. However the tips came very easily for Gin considering the nine years she's been playing. "Playing the piano is wonderful. I encourage anyone interested in music to take up piano, but make sure it's a choice and not forced upon you," Gin said.



♦ As the party died out, Jorge Richards *fine tuned* his dance steps with Elizabeth Lara, at her 16th birthday party. "I'm not the greatest dancer, but when I'm with Elizabeth, it's different. I never seem to step on her feet!" Jorge said.



Getting It Right

Fine Tuning Every Aspect of Life

Small detailed work in the process of changing for the better can best describe fine tuning. But what exactly it relates to, nobody knows. Some students may have taken a class where they had to fine tune an instrument, tune a car or maybe even tune up their body. In any case, tuning machines or ourselves is a part of life. Everyday teenagers tune in their favorite radio station and parents tune in the local news station. Chefs fine tune their dinners with added herbs and spices. Owners of show dogs fine tune their animals

down to the very last hair. At home, the process of lining the trash compactor can needs to be fine tuned or a mess could result.

Fine tuning doesn't only pertain to material objects needing to be improved, but also to the way people live their lives. Students and teachers are constantly trying to improve their teaching or to learn something new. Students do extra credit projects and do neater homework to earn higher grades and feel better about themselves.

Senior Janie Briggs said, "Getting a tennis scholarship at St. Mary's College was not easy.

Very rarely do girls get that chance. The one thing I owe it to is the many hours of fine tuning my techniques on court."

"I'm on a swim team all year long, rain or shine. I've been swimming since I was at least three years old. Even with all that experience behind me, I always need more work," said Freshman Andrea Haws.

Fine tuning could mean a sport or an attitude. It means something different for everyone. Everyday, different people set these goals of fine tuning in hopes of getting them right.



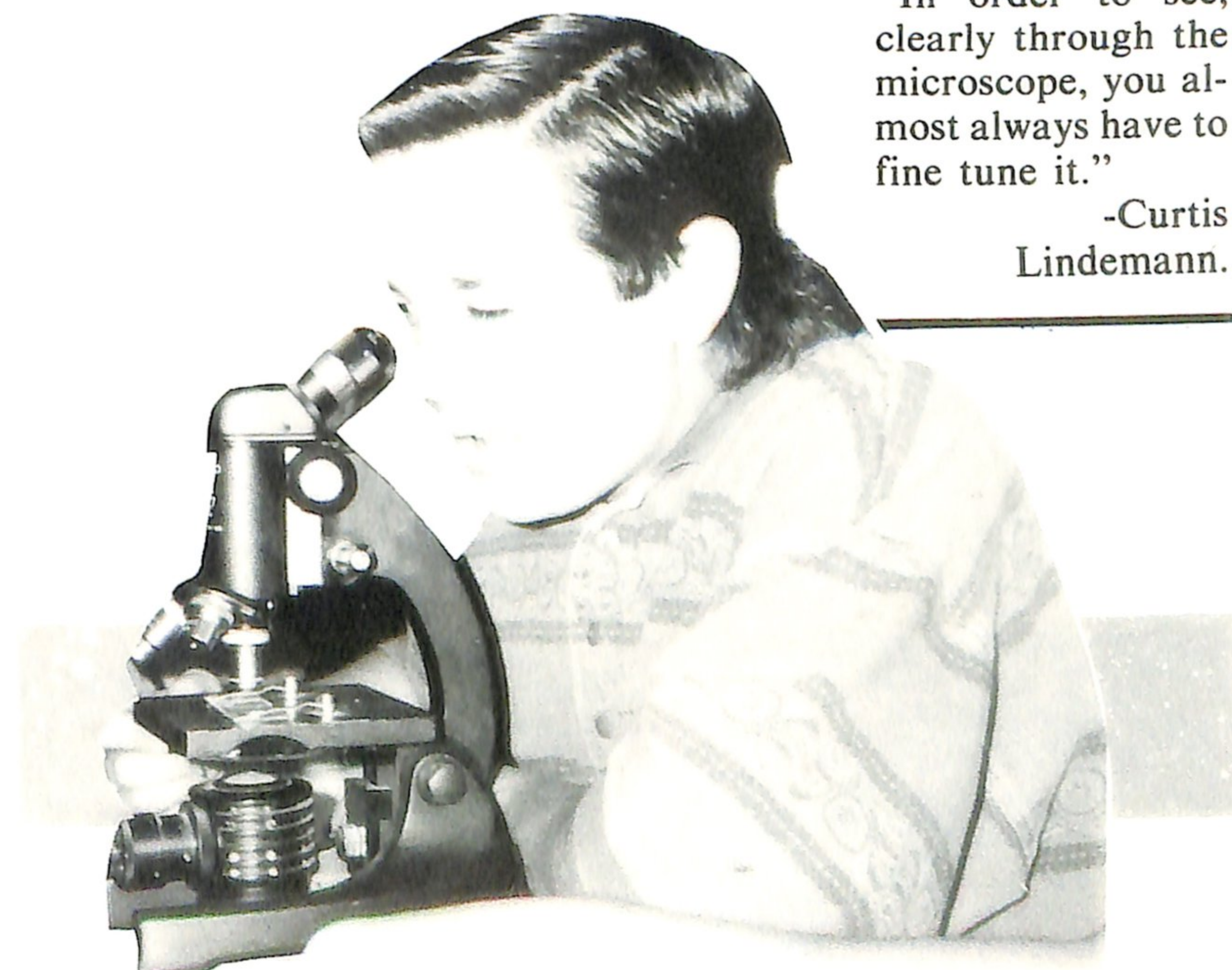
▲ Before speaking in front of an audience, Ernest Robertson fine tuned his speech by practicing many times in Mrs. Radesky's class. Ernest commented, "The best way to be relaxed for a speech is to imagine the audience in their underwear. It works every time!"

◆ After waking up late and rushing to school, Santiago Cruz takes a break to fine tune his appearance during class. "Being a senior is a tough job! Seniors have to set examples and set the trends. I know it's a hard job but this senior class did it best," said Cruz.



"In order to see, clearly through the microscope, you almost always have to fine tune it."

-Curtis Lindemann.



▲ Many sports and games require practice to perfect skills and ability. While hidden in the dense bushes, Jesse Gros and Matt Pelascini fine tuned the aim on their paintguns in order to make a clear shot. "I like to keep my target in sight until my aim is perfect, then I get him!" said Jesse.



◆ In Mr. Mandin's ICC Biology Class, Melanie Richard and David Steffan hand construct their DNA model. David said, "We learned about DNA codes and how DNA actually forms in the body." "Hands on" projects are an important part of the ICC program.

◆ The joys of motherhood can be felt here at school. Brittany Ramos takes time to play in the walker under her mother, Dee Dee Turnbull's supervision. "I feel fortunate that I can have a beautiful child and get an education at the same time," said Dee Dee of Young Mother's Program.



T'ai Apilado puts the final touches on his DNA model. "In ICC, I like science the best because I like to learn about me," said T'ai.



◆ Some of the teachers that made Independent Study programs available and successful were: Joanne Bane, Delbert Bush, Ernest Drake, Loretta Rockwell, Gwendolyn Rountree, and Gerda Reid. Not pictured: Richard Martinez and Richard Nichols.

◆ Gloria Lukens, Mary Krebs, and Linda Smith are three of the positive influences in Young Mother's lives. They not only taught them about parenthood but also the essential objectives necessary to graduate. "It's rewarding to see these teens confront motherhood with such maturity," said Mrs. Lukens.

Taking Different Roads

They Are All Reaching the Same Goal.

This school has accepted the fact that everyone's needs are different and has tried to provide for many different situations students are faced with. For instance, four beneficial programs offered are: Young Mothers, ICC, Fresh Start, and Independent Study.

The first program, Young Mothers, began twenty-four years ago to help teenagers not only bring a child into the world but also further their education. This way, the young mothers don't miss out on an important part of their life: high school. Maria Fields was a pregnant teen and feels she took advantage of a great opportunity. "Everyone is equal because they either have a child or are pregnant and that makes you feel comfortable. You also are taught a lot about motherhood which helped me prepare for the baby."

Fresh Start is another unique opportunity in this school. It is available to capable students who are having a tough time in the normal high school atmosphere

because of various reasons. Sometimes the problems stem from lack of attendance, behavioral problems, or even difficulties at home. Arlene Tropiczynski sums up Fresh Start the best: "It's a positive combination of learning, love, and counseling rolled into one."

One might think that ICC (Inner Core Curriculum) is similar to Fresh Start but they are very different. ICC is a completely new and innovative way of teaching. The four ICC classes the students attend each day have one unifying theme. It's offered to freshmen and sophomores that did well in school until faced with the bustling life of high school. It's here to help these kids regain their motivation and will to learn. For Amy Pugliese, it was what she needed to get her back on her feet. "It helped me a lot because in eighth grade year I didn't do any work and hardly went to school. After being involved with ICC, I wanted to come to school again."

The final option offered to students in need is Independent Study. This program emphasizes self-reliance and confidence by allowing students to study at home. Students involved in Independent Study attend a one hour class, once a week to get their new assignments. Reasons for enrolling in Independent Study differ depending on the person. Sometimes it's because they need to work full time, there could be problems at home, or the inability to keep up with the fast paced schedule high school demands. Tracey Schabot became involved because there was an illness in her family and this was the only way she could catch up on schoolwork.

The common bond between these programs is they all give otherwise involved students another chance. They are helped, not shunned, and encouraged to overcome their situations to make the best of what they have. Our school tries to take care of the individuals, as well as the masses.



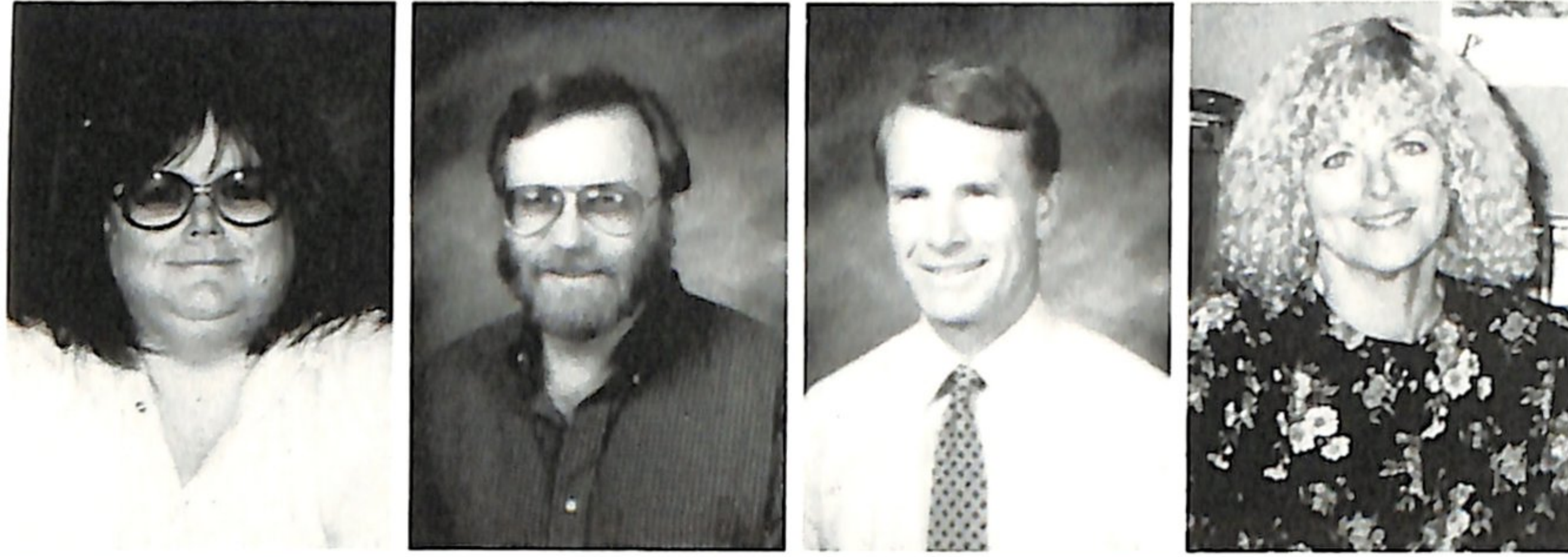
◆ The peaceful face of the sleeping R.J. Hawkins is a blessed relief for mother, Brandee Hawkins. The simple idea of putting a baby to sleep may quickly prove to not be simple. "The cribs for the babies are right here in the classroom, along with highchairs and toys, so we can bring the kids with us," said Brandee.

◆ Ryan Taylor, a Fresh Start student, concentrates intently on the day's lesson. "The class is a variety of subjects combined in one room, with one teacher. Fresh Start makes learning more interesting," said Ryan.

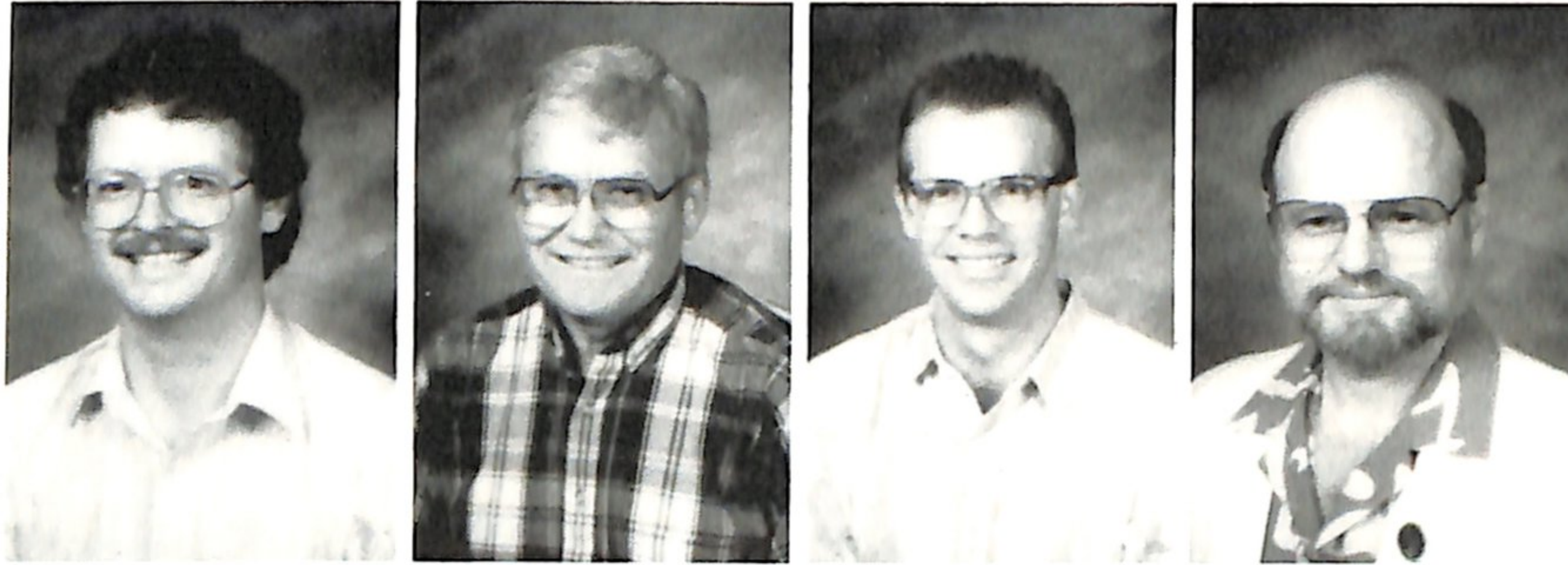
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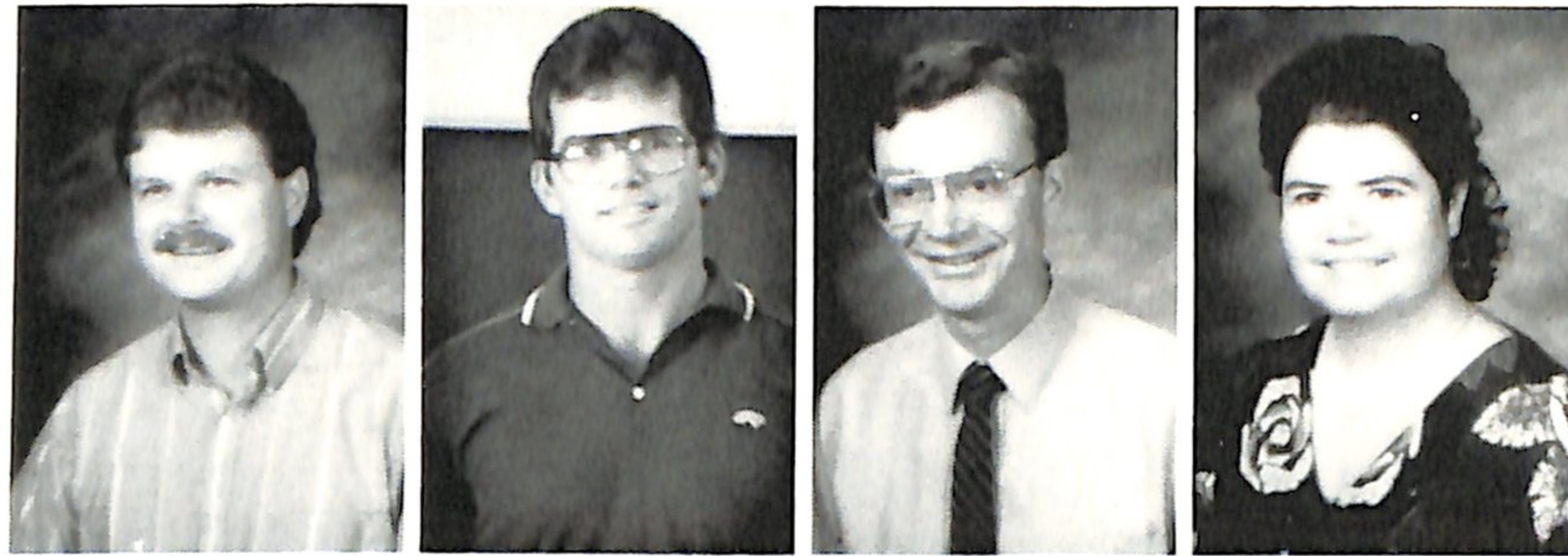
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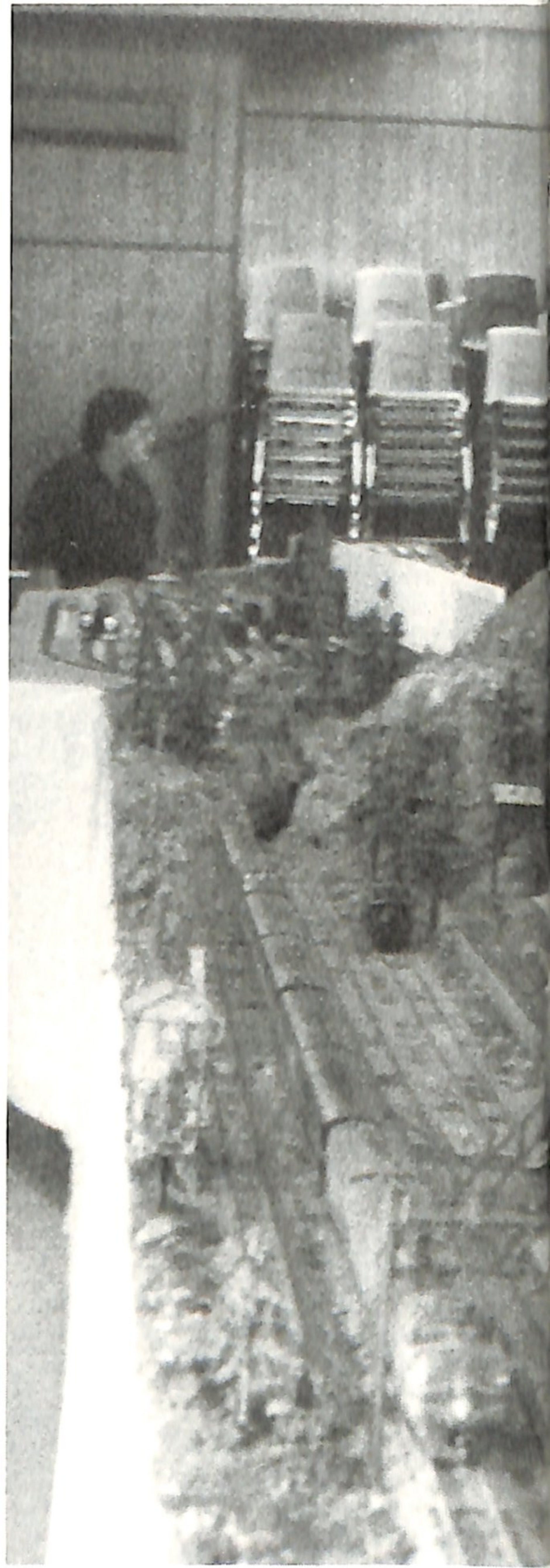
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Greg Clark
Drivers Ed./Health/Woodshop
Jeff Clark
Mathematics



◆ Rafting is just one of the many physical activities that Mrs. Street does in her spare time. She also runs about four to five miles a day in preparation for upcoming triathalons. "Rafting is fun. It combines the rush of adrenalin through the rapids, with the peaceful serenity of the river environment," said Mrs. Street.



◆ Annually, Mr. Kardos takes a group of students to Washington D.C. to further their knowledge about our government. In Georgetown, Mr. Kardos, Amy Gemmer, and Nicole VanVacas take a break to eat at Bistro Francais, a small French restaurant. "Mr. Kardos was the perfect tour guide because he knew the city so well, he made it exciting," explains Nicole.

◆ Carving life-size wooden alligator puppets is one of Mr. Bartz's favorite hobbies. Here, he is working a twenty inch alligator that he has recently carved. "Carving alligator puppets take a lot of time and energy, but seeing the finished project is well worth it!" exclaims Mr. Bartz.





◆ Independent Study teacher Richard Nichols proves that model electric trains aren't just for kids. Many adults put months of hard work, effort and money into great accomplishments such as this. "Playing with trains is a great stress reliever and brings out the kid in me," said Mr. Nichols.

◆ Mrs. Jan Radesky uses her summer vacation to work her water torpedo on the waters of Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. "The water torpedo was great! I kept falling off, but when I finally got on, the torpedo turned upside-down. Everyone laughed but that was O.K." explains Mrs. Radesky.



◆ The Armijo Administration: Principal Leo Petty, and Vice Principals Jean Fitzgibbons, Bob Bailey, and Bruce Chmielewski. "When thinking of personal interests, I would have to say I like listening to people sing opera. I also enjoy being in the outdoors with my family and sometimes by myself," said Mr. Chmielewski.

Looks Can Be Deceiving

The Life of a Teacher Isn't All Books

If any student is asked if he/she has a life, they would probably respond, "Of course I have a Life! My life consists of many exciting activities both in and outside of school." This is true. Students participate in every activity ranging from acrobatics to zoology. However, if the student is asked if he or she thought their teachers had a life, they would most likely respond, "Are you serious? Teachers? No way! Teachers don't have a life!" This, however, couldn't be further from the truth. Many teachers, just like students, can't wait for the final bell to ring so they can rush home and get into their favorite hobby.

Many students don't realize just how active their teachers are. There are nineteen clubs on this campus and guess who advises them. Yep! Teachers. Teachers also offer their expertise in sports and coach our Mighty Indians. "Coaching Varsity basketball is a lot of hard work! There's so much time I've put into coaching, I've missed my four children growing up! Basketball is a year-round sport. During the season, we practice at least four hours a day, before and after school. During the off season, we're constantly in the gym weight lifting," says Coach Jay Dahl.

Aside from school related ac-

tivities, teachers participate in many different types of sports, hobbies, and outside activities. Did you know that there is a teacher on campus who has an entire basement full of model trains? How about a teacher who carves life-size wooden alligator puppets? "Carving alligator puppets takes a lot of time and energy, but seeing the finished project is well worth it!" exclaimed Jim Bartz about his woodcarvings.

In short, the life of a teacher is more than just pencils and books. Many teachers are actually great adventurers, trapped inside a teacher's body.

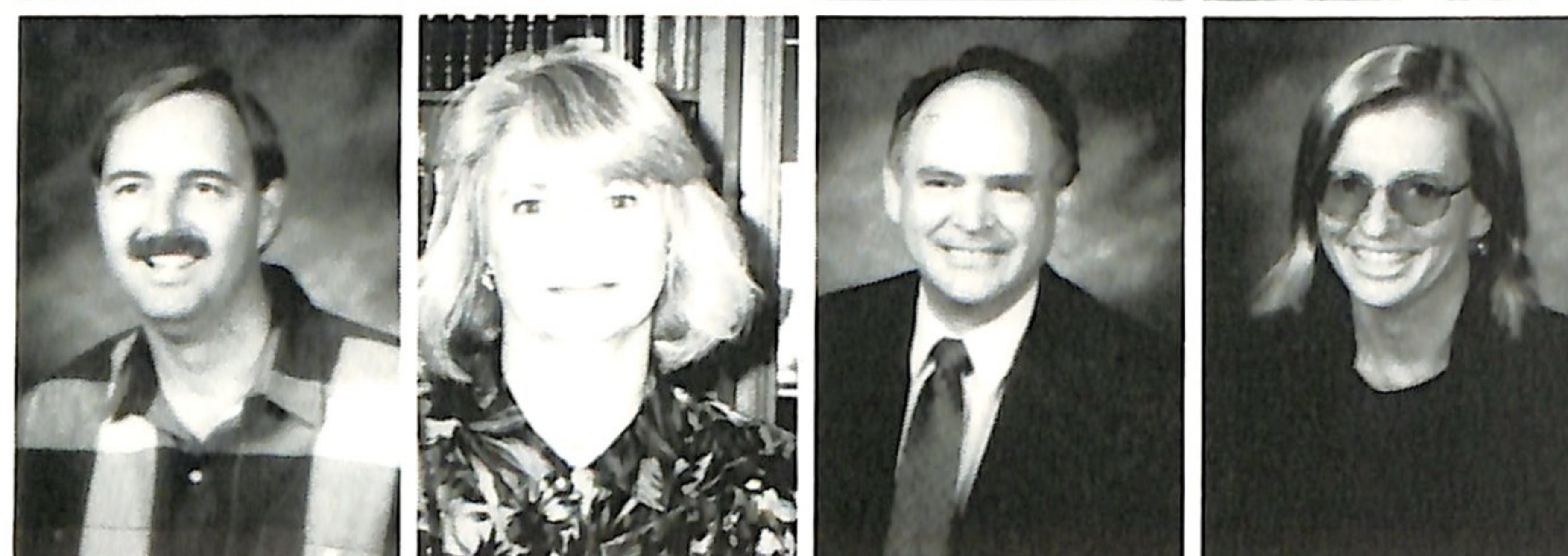
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Ron Cortese
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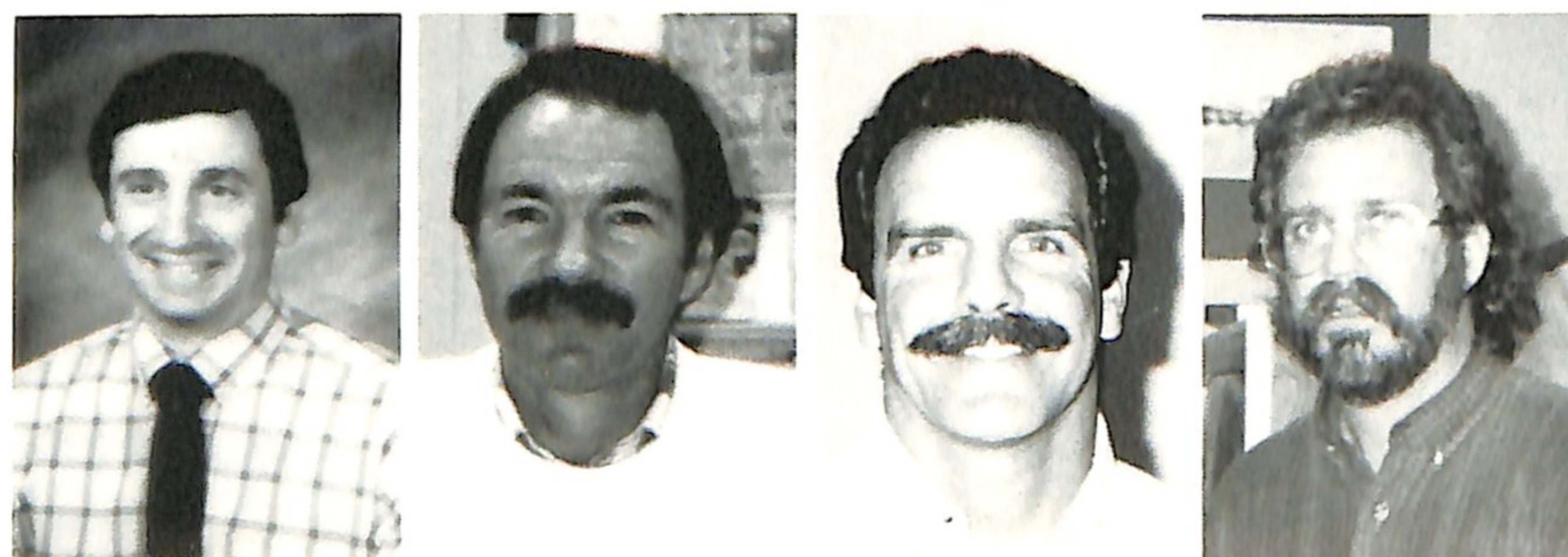
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Jim Evans
Biology
Sandy Evans
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John Facque
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Cal Falk
U.S. History
Tim Falkenstein
Counselor
Tim Farmer
Psychology



◆ Instructional Assistants: Maria Sandoval, Christina Campos, Joyce Erday, Della Mulwee, Jean Bradac, Maria Garcia, Anh Fisher, Carol Hofacre and Fran Rotz. Not pictured: Kerry Hemler and Gloria Lukens. "We tutor the students individually and assist the teacher," said Christina Campos.



◆ "I started as a volunteer, then Mr. Petty pleaded with the school board to make my position permanent. I like meeting new people and I like getting parents involved. I am now working on getting senior citizens involved and their response has been good," said Jan Hart, Parent Volunteer Coordinator.



◆ "My freshman year was the hardest for me because all the hall monitors would report everything I said and did to my mom. At the same time I had trouble being accepted as Terrea, instead of being known as "Mrs. Mundy's daughter" to everyone," said Terrea Williams.

♥ Basketball homecoming nominee, Kevin McQuitty bought popcorn for his mom, Mrs. McQuitty at the concession stand. "Kevin and I never see each other during the day, but it's nice to know I'm close by if he needs anything at all," said Mrs. McQuitty about her son.



▲ "Jorge's attending Armijo is a very positive and rewarding experience. He came here in his ninth grade year, I was able to watch him learn to speak and read English. I worried that having him in a class that I teach might be hard on him, but it's proved to be satisfactory for us both," said Mr. Richards.

A Gain, Who Is Your Mom Or Dad?

There are numerous families that find themselves around each other for almost the entire day. Imagine going to school and instead of being dropped off, and the parent going to work elsewhere, they pull into the faculty or student parking lot and bring the car to a stop.

"I thought people would judge me by my parents, but most people don't realize that Mr. and Mrs. Evans are my parents," Emily Evans said. "When we see each other in the hall we both quickly look away and keep walking."

Mr. Bailey, our vice-principal, has two children that attend Armijo, Jennifer and Robert. "When Robert came I was really excited because he called me on my birthday and asked me how would I like a nice birthday present. I asked him what it was and he said he wanted to come

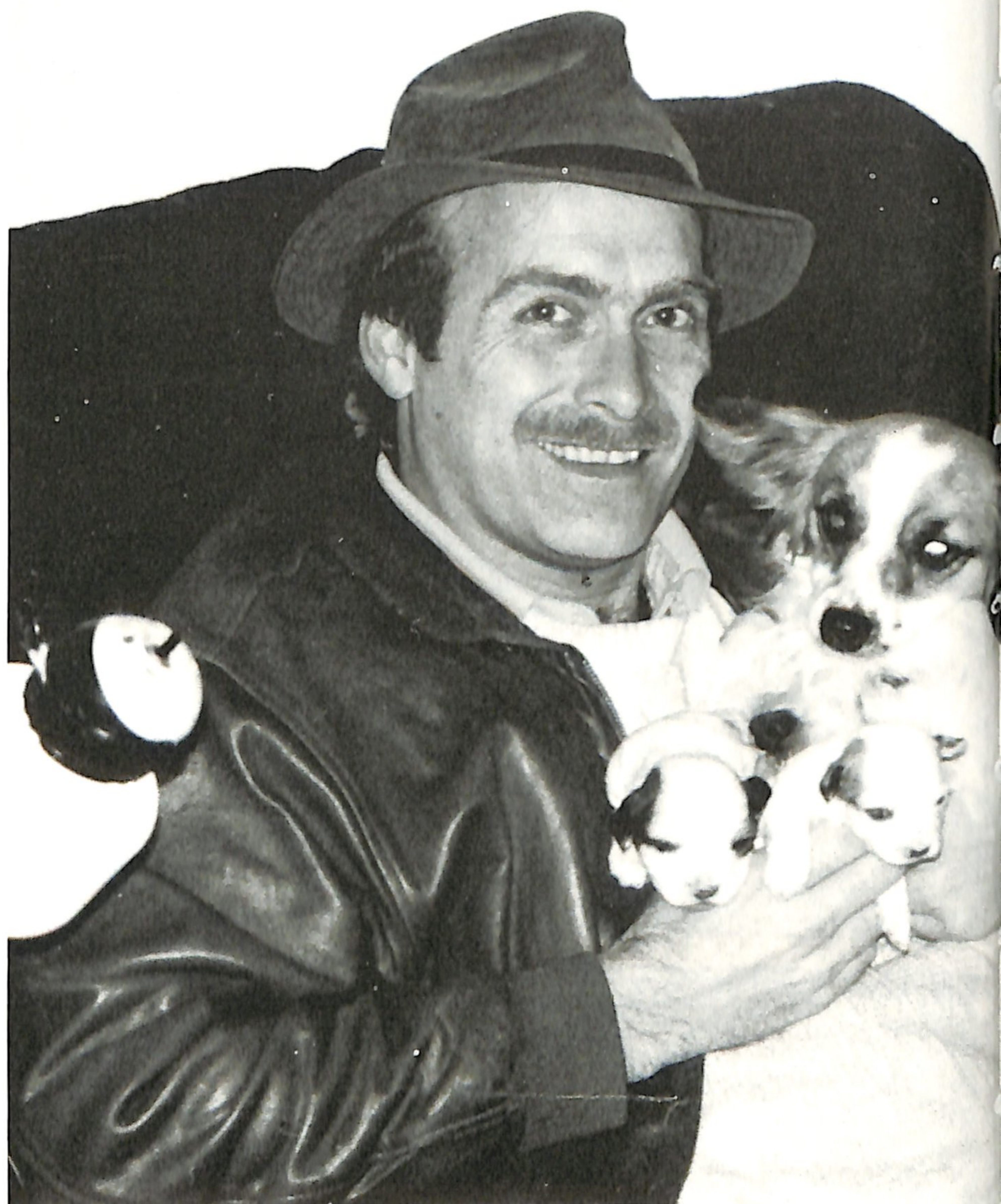
to Armijo. He knew I really wanted him to be here so I was really thrilled. With Jennifer, she wanted to come, so I was even more glad to have both of my oldest children here."

Most of the kids that have a parent teaching here realize that their fears were over exaggerated. Denise Day said, "My freshman year I was nervous and I didn't like having my dad work here at school. Now, it's not bad, if I want a schedule change, it's easier for me, but at the same time, if I get a bad grade he finds out a lot sooner."

All the students realized that while their parent works here at school sometimes it's nice to have mom or dad around close by. "I really appreciate my dad teaching here because when I have problems they get solved quicker," Tonya Pickett said.

♥ Math instructor, Carol Harris and her horse Daimein, take a stroll through a Dixon grass field. A lot of Mrs. Harris' time away from school is spent in Dixon with the horse. "Daimein lives far away from me so I really appreciate the time we spend together. He's a beautiful animal," said Mrs. Harris.

♦ Al Larson and recent mother Sarah, relax after a long day with Sarah's pride and joy, her new puppies. "I was glad to have the new roommates. The problem though, was naming them all," recalled Mr. Larson. The new puppies weren't hard to get rid of, but more difficult was just saying goodbye.



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nconditional Love

Pets, Hardly Beasts of Burden

After school everyday, teachers and other faculty members were greeted at their doorsteps by happy, hairy faces and wagging tails. Imagine the relief of going home from work to a compassionate animal that is ready and willing to listen to any and all problems. Criticism is a thing of the past when pets are involved. Any decision you made is just the greatest thing your pet has ever heard of. The wagging tail tells all.

For teachers, the time they spend with their pets is definitely quality time. "I really look forward to coming home

so I can find out how my dog's day went," commented Susan Graham.

At times, one might think that a pet to a teacher is just another beast of burden, but this facade is hardly true. "I don't find Sarah a burden at all. She's the perfect pet," said English teacher, Al Larson.

Contrary to popular belief, not all pets are just for cuddling or compassion. Ellen Merrick's dogs, Fergus and Chelsea, give her plenty of companionship, but their list of talents consists of more than mere loyalty. "Fergus was born for stardom. He was used as a therapy dog, where he

has visited children in the hospital and he's even been in a motion picture. Then there's Chelsea, and while she's not exactly as talented as Fergus, she's always ready for fun," said Ms. Merrick.

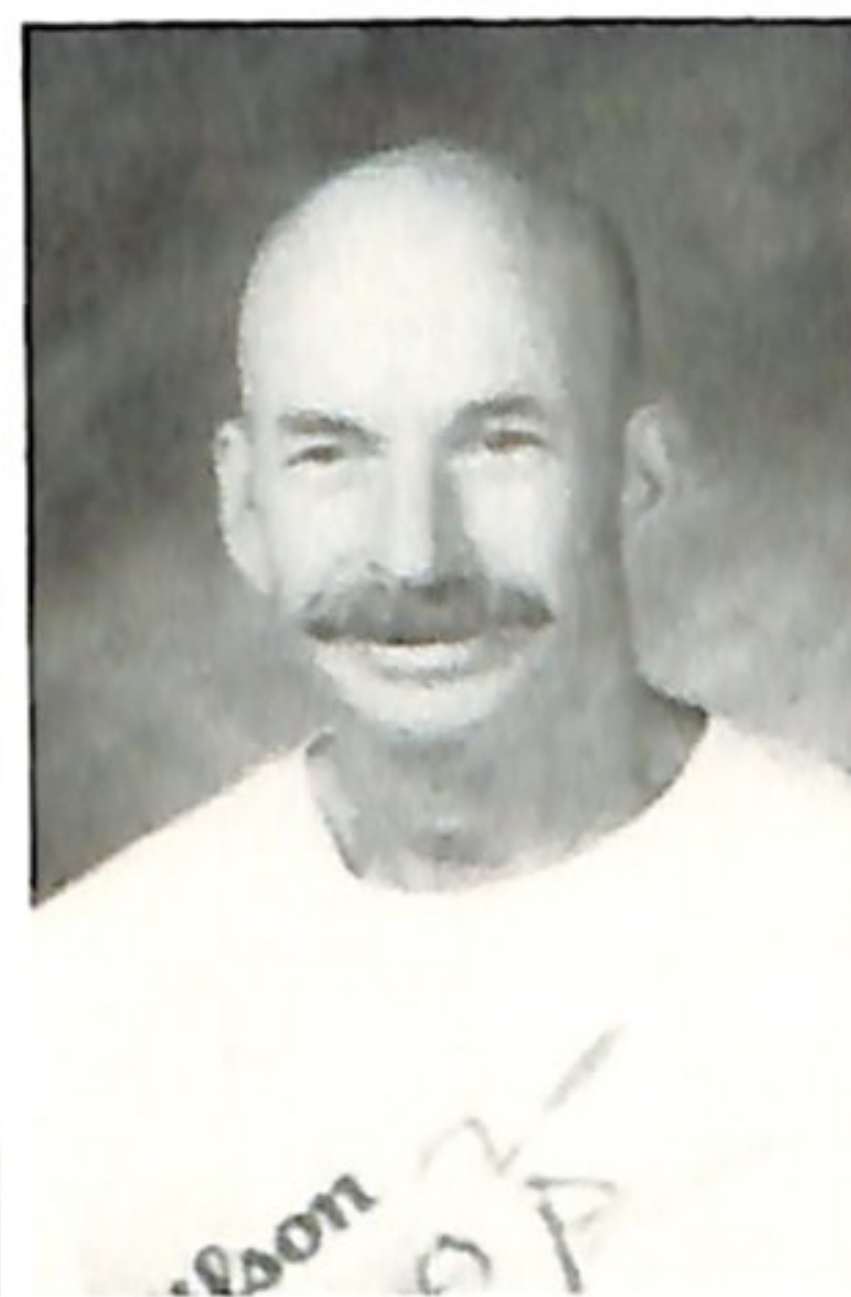
Clearly, pets to teachers around campus symbolize so much more than animals they take for a walk every once in a while. To teachers, pets are loyal companions who obviously brighten their days and sweeten their lives. Teachers with pets always have something to look forward to. Even if they are having the worst day of their lives, teachers know that they can go home, recuperate and get understanding from their pet.



◆ Newspaper and yearbook advisor, Ellen Merrick and her dog, Fergus, relax by a pool at the International Dog Show in Chicago. Fergus was winner's dog at the show and got three points toward his AKC Championship that he won later on that summer. "Fergus is an exceptional animal and being a successful show dog just one of the many reasons," said Ms. Merrick.



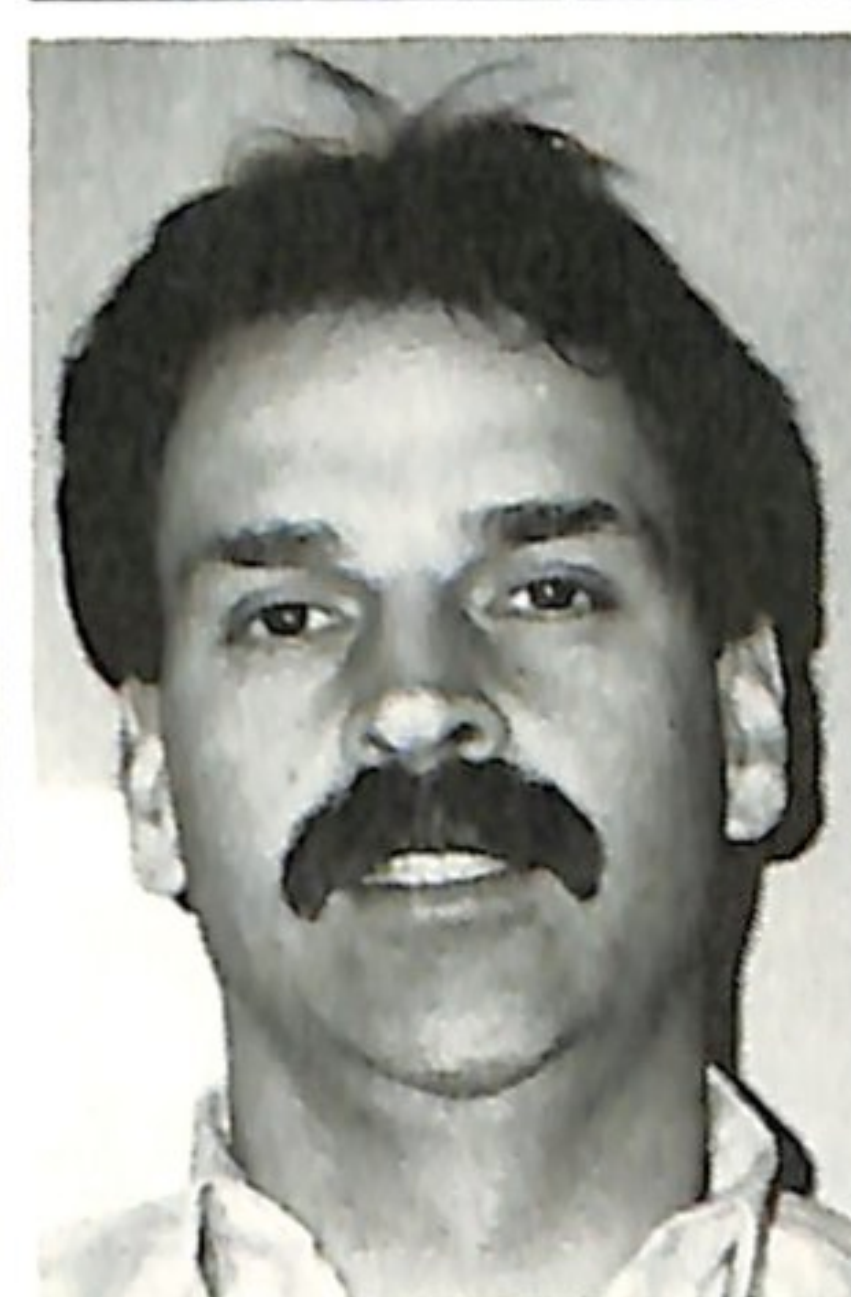
◆ Sharing smiles and time together are teacher, Suzanne Graham and friend, Jennifer. "I don't consider Jennifer as my dog, she's a friend. I look forward to coming home from school to relax with her and to see how her day has gone. I enjoy dressing her up, too. Her favorite ensemble is her baby outfit."



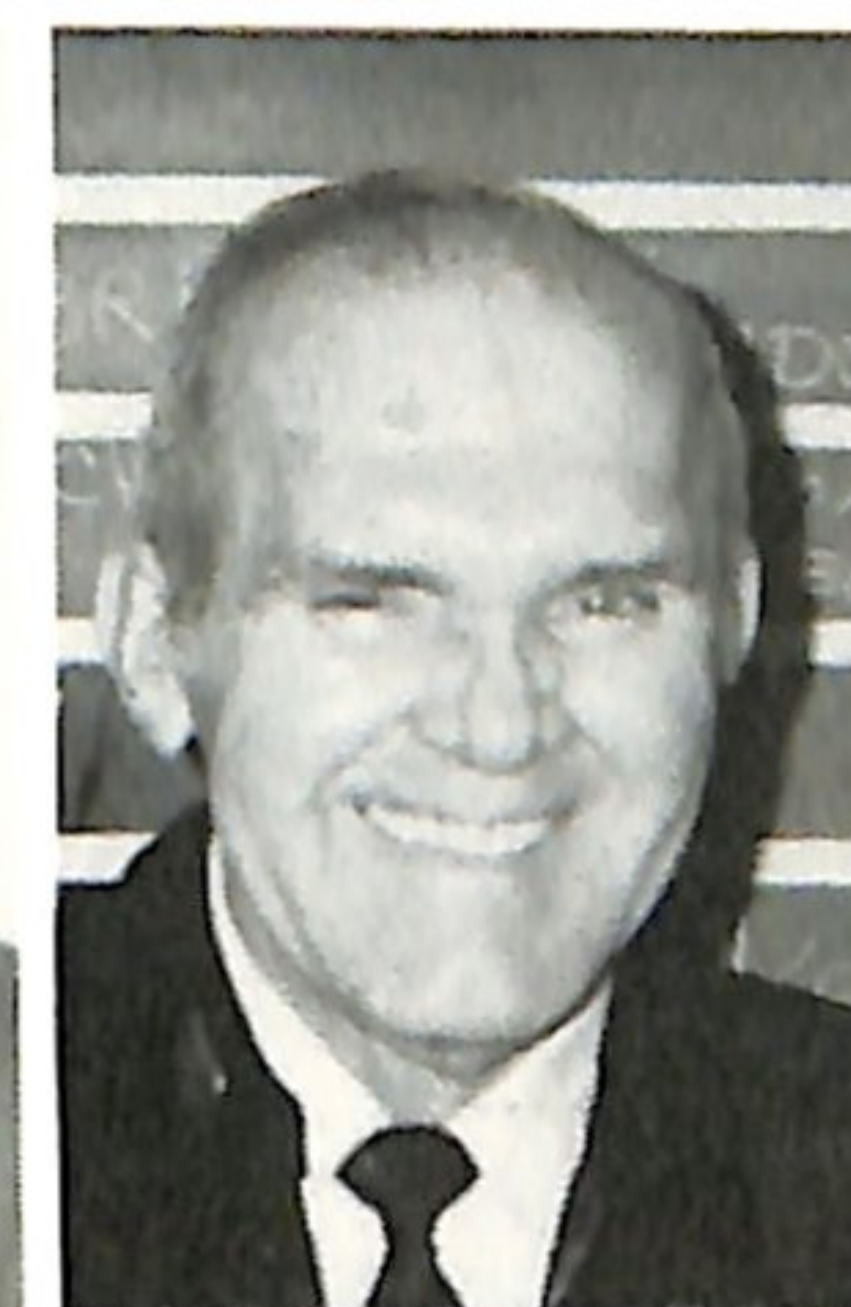
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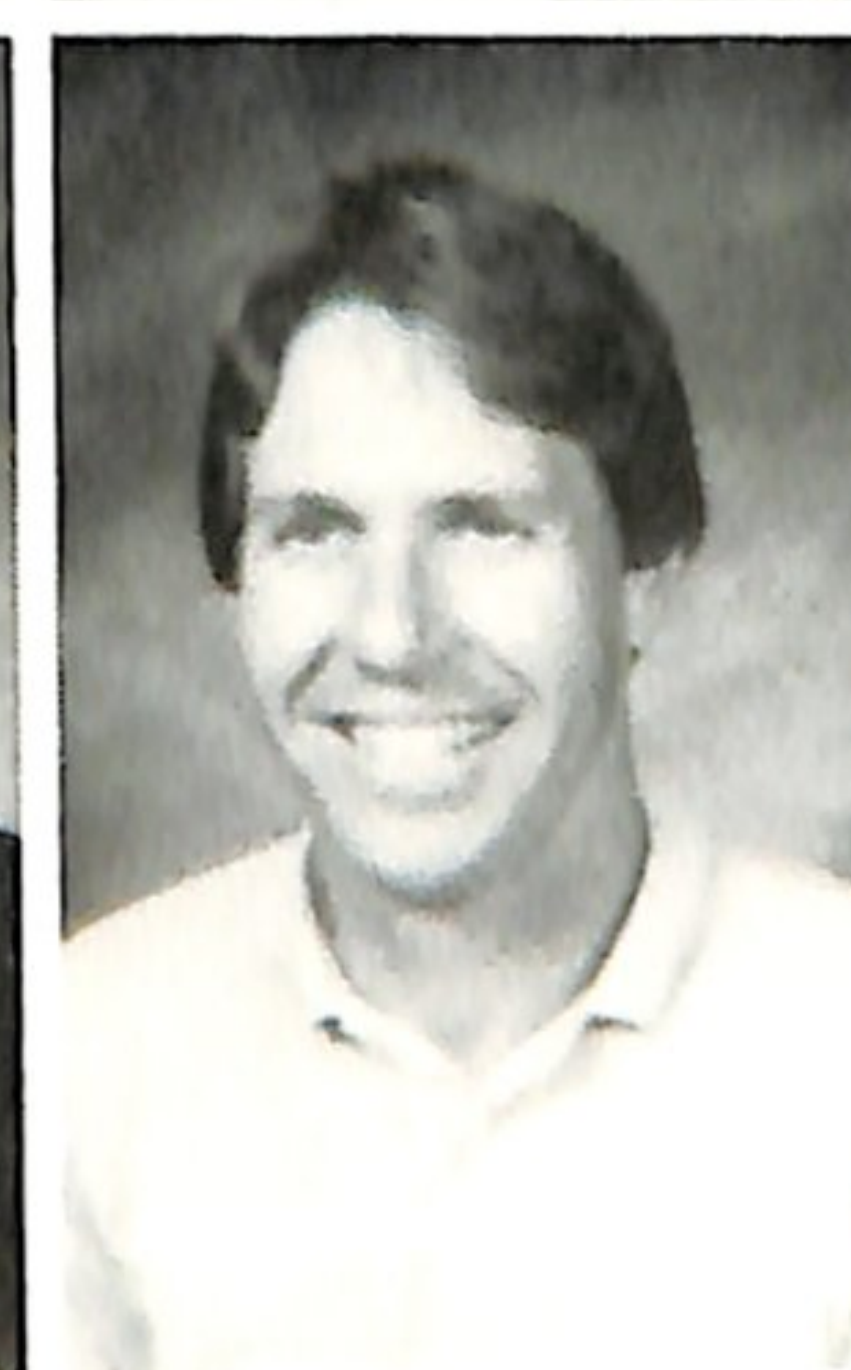
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Doug Hambricht
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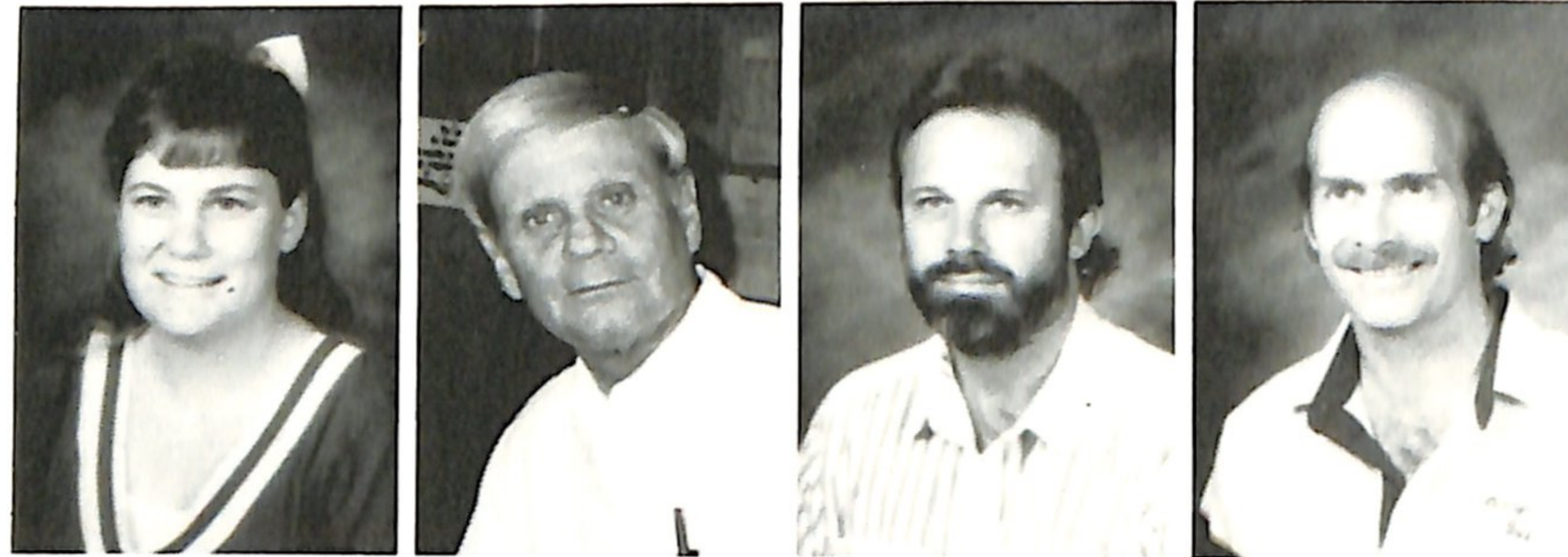


◆ Mrs. Adams and her horse take a break after an intense ride. Mrs. Adams has an obsession for horses that dates back to her early childhood. "I love horses. Higgins is a big baby. He's also like a dog. When I go into the field he follows me around to see what I'm doing. When I work outside, he's right in the middle of everything. He's extremely nosey, but he's very sweet," said Mrs. Adams.

John Kardach
Aerospace
Frank Kardos
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Molly Kendall
Math
Michael Keisling
Computer Literacy



Jean Kennedy
Science
Don Krueger
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Edward Lambrecht
Consumer Economics
Alan Larson
English



Leslie Lee
World Civ.
Patty Leiferman
Girls P.E.
Peggy Linville
Girls P.E.
G. Lukens Director
Ind. Study/Young Mothers



Gene Luksan
County Special Ed.
Frances Maben
English
Al Maddalena
Wood Shop
Edmond Mandin
Biology



Dave Marshall
Athletic Director
Joan McDowel
English
Garnet McQuitty
English
Karen Meek
Girls P.E.



◆ Mrs. Whitman's high school students, from Argentina, pause for a moment to take a group shot. "Every morning the students greeted me with a kiss on the cheek; they were excited about learning about American students, but were too shy to ask questions," said Mrs. Whitman.



▲ On the border between Argentina and Brazil lies the Iguaza falls. Mrs. Whitman has just finished exploring Devils Throat which is the largest of the many falls. This sight was made famous in the movie "Mission," starring Robert DeNiro.



◆ Mrs. Whitman is at one of the beautiful national parks in Argentina. "I would love another chance to go back to Argentina. Argentina is beautiful country. They have a gorgeous waterfall called the Iguazu and breath-taking national parks like Puerto Blessed," said Mrs. Whitman.

♥ Mrs. Guzman poses for a good-bye picture with one of her classes here in the U.S. "Teaching here had been an experience much different from the schools in Argentina," said Mrs. Guzman.



▲ Mrs. Guzman takes time out to help Josh Eash with his spanish after school. "While I was here for the first semester, I not only taught students, but I learn from them also, I will never forget the experiences that took place here in my class they'll be in my heart forever," said Mrs. Guzman.

Making A Big Switch

The Exchange Between The Americas

A surprise was in hand for students walking into Mrs. Whitman's class at the beginning of the school year. A surprise straight from Argentina . . . The surprise of Mrs. Guzman who traded places with Mrs. Whitman an exchange program where teachers traded places for a semester with other teachers.

"Students there behaved differently than they do here, they have high respect for the teachers and there are few absences. If a student is absent, their parents have to come in and verify that the student was sick," said Mrs. Guzman.

man. "The grades are also different, they are not like the ones they have here. An "S" is the highest grade and few receive them, an "A" is an average grade and the "N" is failing."

Upon Mrs. Whitman's return, she had many things to talk about. "Teaching methods in Argentina were very different from the ones we use here," said Mrs. Whitman. "In Argentinian high schools there wasn't any homework given. There were only two exams during the semester and one final, but that only seemed fair since they had thirteen subjects that were

all required."

The Fulbright Teacher Exchange is a program that allows foreign and U.S. teachers to expand their knowledge of other countries, cultures, and people. The Fulbright Teacher Exchange program usually lasts an academic year. It is something both the teachers and students learn from and enjoy.



n The Road Again

The Lengths Teachers Go To Teach

▼ Mrs. Jan Radesky spends time correcting papers until the basketball game begins. "If I go home after school and then try to be back by the time the game starts, I'll be wasting an unproductive hour," said Mrs. Radesky.

The path that leads to school for some teachers is a lengthy highway. Yet teachers manage to make it here to educate and awake the young minds on this campus. Through rain, sleet, hail, and snow they move on and get to school and they get the job done. Teachers, in the opinion of several students, are far more dedicated than postmen.

Counselor Marissa Halbach lives in Navato and travels 37 miles to get to Fairfield. "But it is worth it. It's worth every mile, based on the relationships I've made at this school with the staff and the students."

Jeff Clark travels from his

home in Santa Rosa, which takes him an hour and fifteen minutes each way. When asked why he doesn't want to move closer to school he replied, "I own this home and I don't want to sell it."

There are many disadvantages to living far away from a job. Karen Street said, "Once I was driving home from Parent-Teacher Night when I fell asleep and drove off the road." Mrs. Street lives in Davis and has for thirteen years.

An advantage is that while driving, they could plan lessons for the day and on the way home they could think of how the day went. Julia Orri said, "I can leave

work at school and have a separate life at home."

Many teachers feel that their jobs and personal life should be kept separate. Jan Radesky, who has lived in Benicia for eight years, said, "When I lived in the same place of that which I taught, I had parents wanting conferences every time I went into the grocery store."

When sitting in class, keep in mind, your teacher's day is not over at 2:48 p.m. because some still have to fight the traffic on the way home. These are the length that teachers will go to teach.



▲ Mrs. Karen Street gets out of her car after the drive from Davis. "I promised my children I wouldn't teach in the same city they went to school. I like teaching at Armijo, therefore, I commute."

◆ On the other hand, there's Randy Carlson, who lives so close to the school, he gives the environment a break and rides his trusty bike. "Women are seriously attracted to me when I ride my bike. They dig the fenders," Randy said.

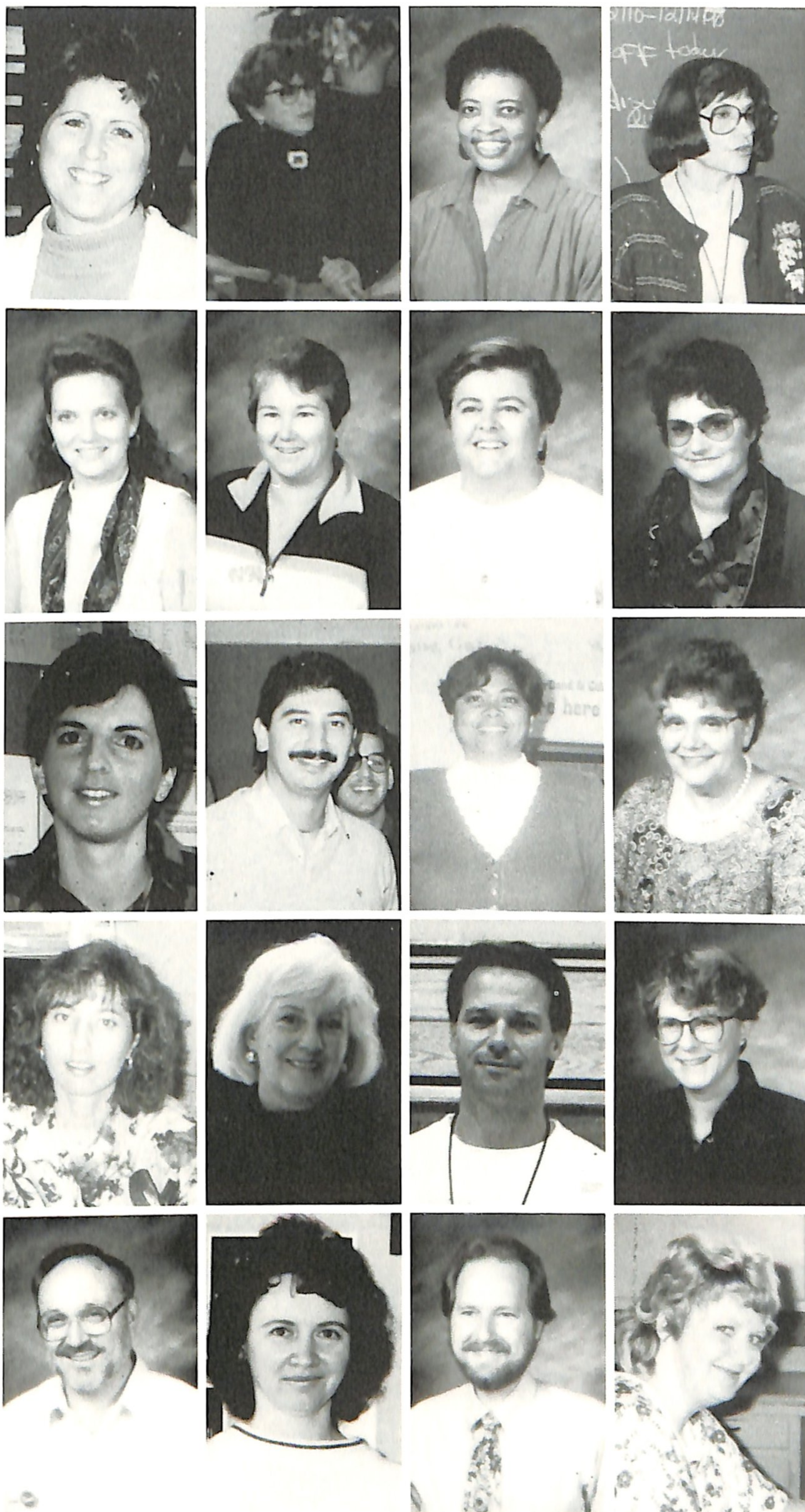


♥ To counselor Ms. Halbach, commuting is a daily ritual. "Every day I have to start the morning with a forty-five minute drive on the freeway, just in time to rush to the office and mail room, all before first period begins," said Ms. Halbach.



▲ Ms. Joan McDowel explains to Amy Pugliese about her thirty minute drive from Martinez. "Going back and forth from home and work can put a lot of wear and tear on my car. Once the fuel filter on my car went out and a highway patrol brought me to school," explained Ms. Joan McDowel.

♦ Delfino Rubio, Bob Apgar, and Trinidad Carrarasco played a big role as janitors in keeping the school grounds clean. Without them the school wouldn't be a pretty place. "I really respect the janitors, they are always so helpful and nice. We are lucky to have them and they are respected all over campus," said Jenny Fristo



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Nelda Mundy
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Econ.
Barbara Mugg
French/English

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Mathematics
Terry Murray
Adaptive P.E.
Colleen Newcommer
Special Education
Sina Nunley
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Julia Orri
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Tony Ortiz
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Carmel Pajita
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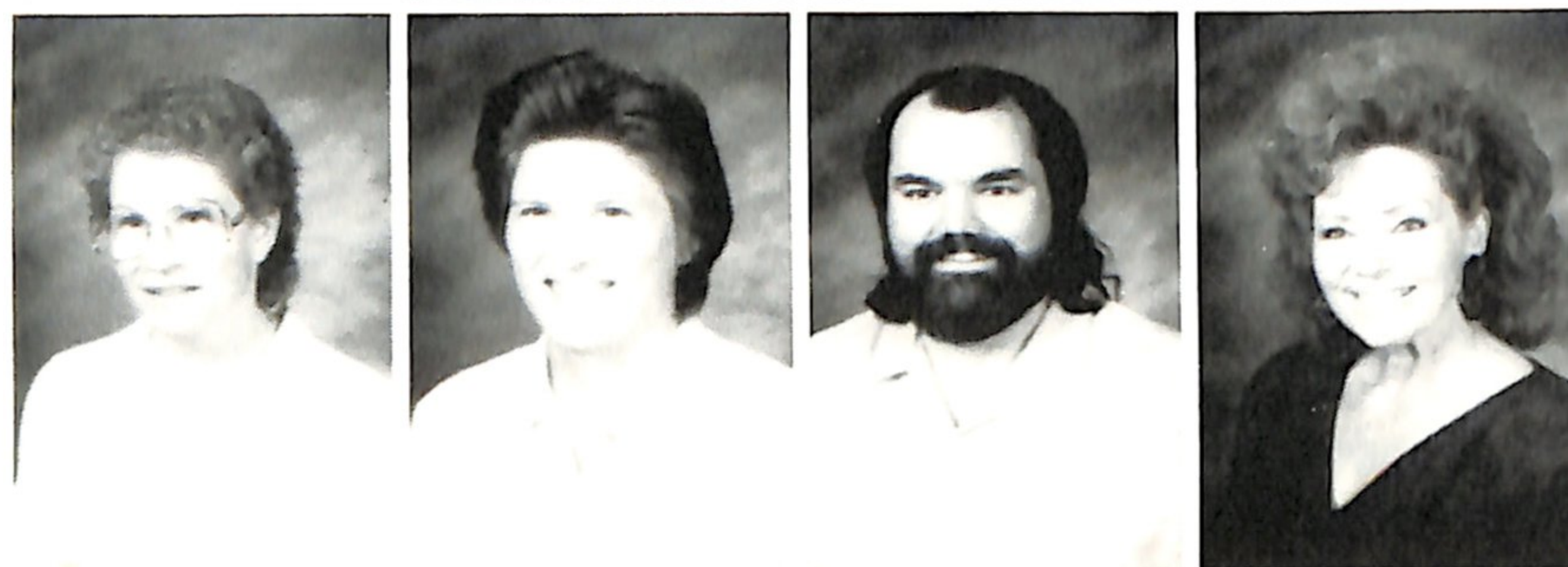
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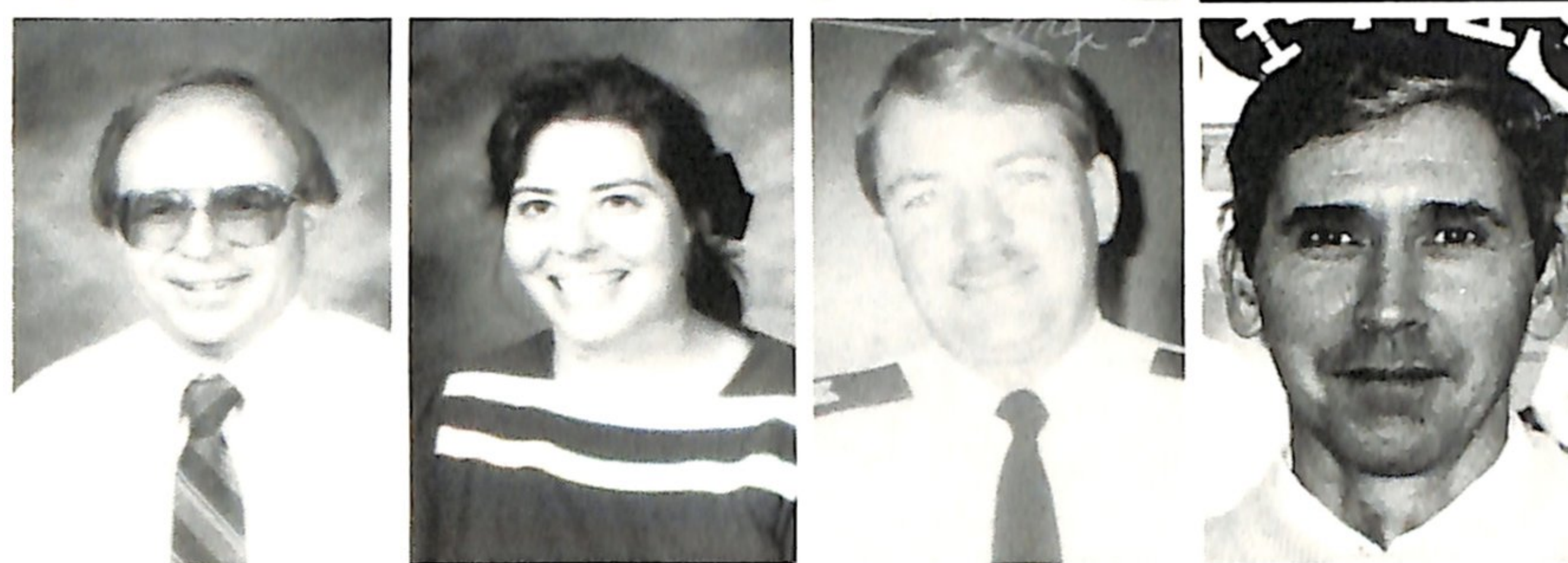
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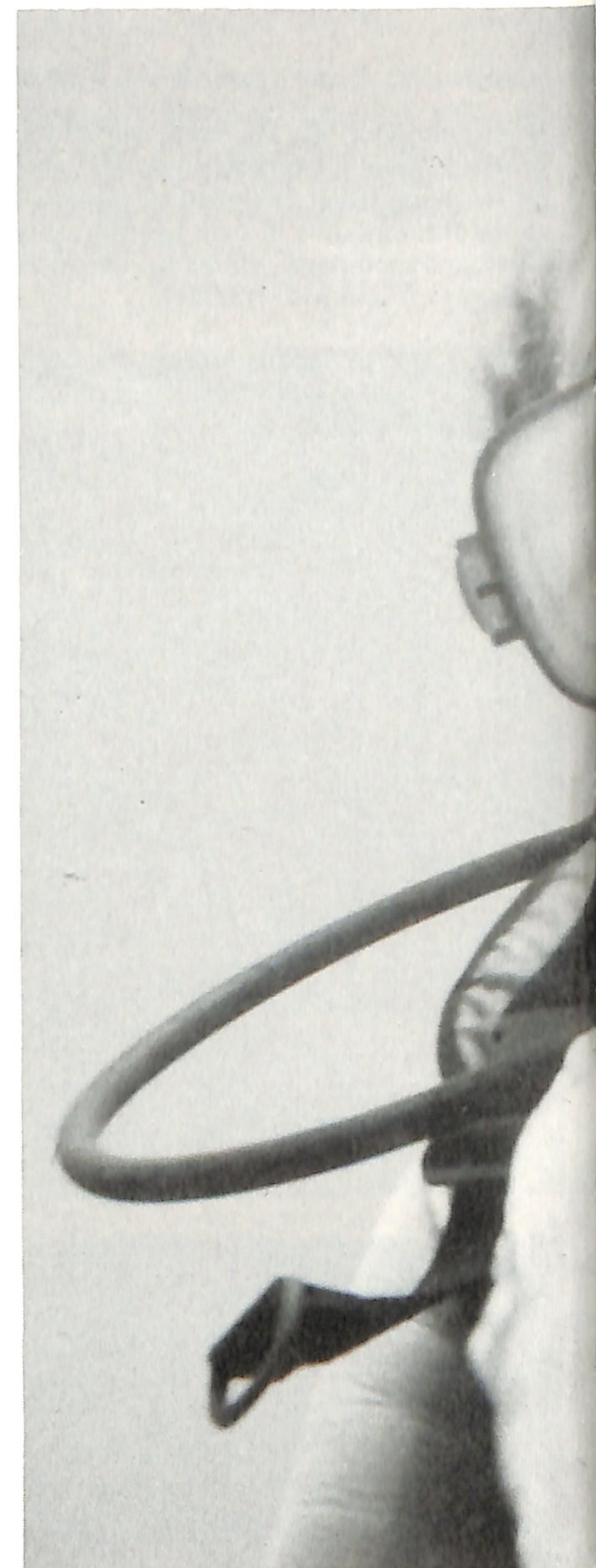
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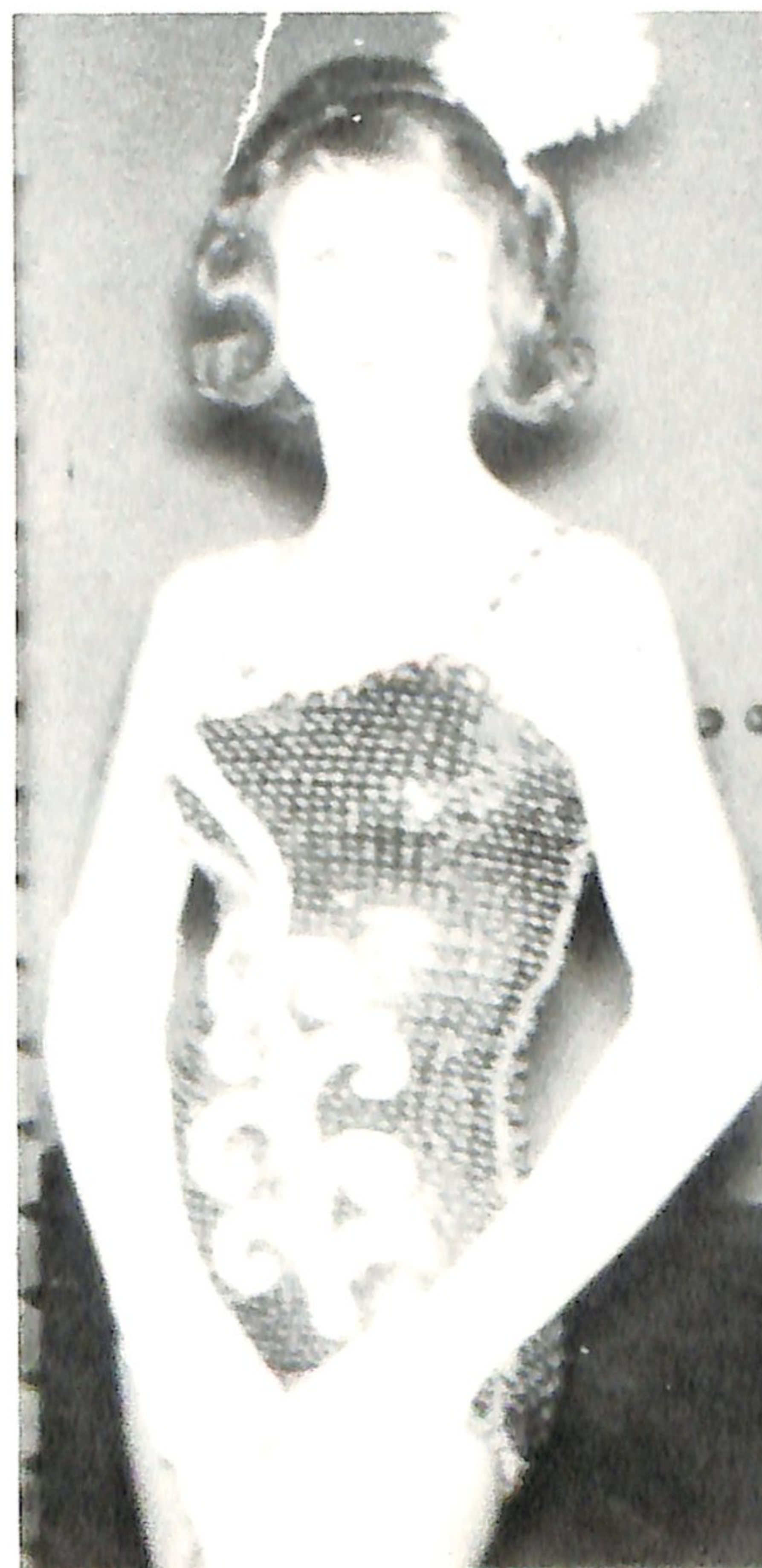


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Mark Williams
Business
David Yip
Physics



◆ Ms. Linda Mahoney enjoys talking to the students on campus as well as enforcing them to follow the rules. This makes her well-respected and a friend to all the students. "I enjoy working as a hall monitor on campus because I can talk with all the students instead of just a couple," said Ms. Mahoney.

◆ The talented Mrs. Jan Radesky prepared to enter the spot-light on stage and dazzle the audience at St. Joseph, Michigan. "When I was performing, I felt like I was on top of the world. I enjoyed being a 'high-kicker' and doing show tunes," said Mrs. Radesky.



◆ Mr. Ed Mandin spent his weekends by going fishing. He caught fish of all sizes from small trout fish to ferocious sharks that were found in the swirling currents of the ocean. "When I was younger, I had dreams of having a mermaid farm," said Mr. Mandin.



◆ When Mr. Mike Buckingham went on his underwater jaunts, he carefully checked his oxygen tank. He enjoyed his excursions and had fun swimming with the fish. "Diving is an adventure because there's always a risk. It's going into a new and hostile environment," said Mr. Buckingham.

◆ Most people don't have the opportunity to be in the Air Force and travel around the world as Mr. John Brown did. "I was fortunate enough to be able to see the world four times and explore new horizons," said Mr. Brown. Once an ace pilot, he flew jets in the Air Force for twenty years.



We All Dream . . .

Unknown Ambitions of Teachers

What if your English teacher was a musician or your Math teacher flew jets? Would it seem strange to be dancing to a beat that your English teacher sang?

Not all teachers were originally inspired to be educators. Like most people, they dreamed of being rock stars, dancers, movie stars, or professional athletes. For some, these goals were not realized, therefore, they chose another pleasing and rewarding profession: teaching.

Most teachers enjoyed what they were doing but at times they felt that they needed a break from it all. To get away from the pres-

ures of teaching, they fantasized about what it would be like to pursue another career. Mrs. Jan Radesky said, "I would love to be a Fly Girl on 'In Living Color.' It would be great to be around the Wayans, David Greer, and James Carney because they are exceptionally creative."

On the other hand, Mr. Al Larson would have liked to be a political activist or a musician. He admitted, "I'm intrigued by politics and I'm a natural singer."

Others have already accomplished their dream career. For instance, Mr. John Brown said, "I did it! I flew jet aircraft in the Air

Force for twenty years, then retired."

Although teachers had a variety of career options to choose from, they found great satisfaction in teaching. Watching their students mature academically as well as becoming responsible young adults, brought them much satisfaction. "Helping others who want to learn, seeing their growth and improvement was the most rewarding," said Mrs. Frances Maben. Mr. David Yip concluded, "The best part of teaching is watching the students progress and achieve their goals."



◆ Mr. Al Larson felt his true calling was to be a musician because he loved strumming away at his guitar and writing lyrical ballads. "I got interested in music because of my sister who was musically talented. I am also inspired by James Taylor," said Mr. Larson.

Time for A Change

Things Must Be Dealt With Now

So far the decade of the 90's has been one of great change. Many of these changes have occurred on a local scale. One such example is school policy which is changing dramatically, another involves renovations. In an exclusive interview with Superintendent of Schools, Dr. John T. Haro, the La Mezcla staff learned of changes that will be made to improve the quality of education in our district. "The board is currently considering investing money into the renovation and possible reconstruction of Armijo High," said Dr. Haro. Another change will include drastic cuts in the school

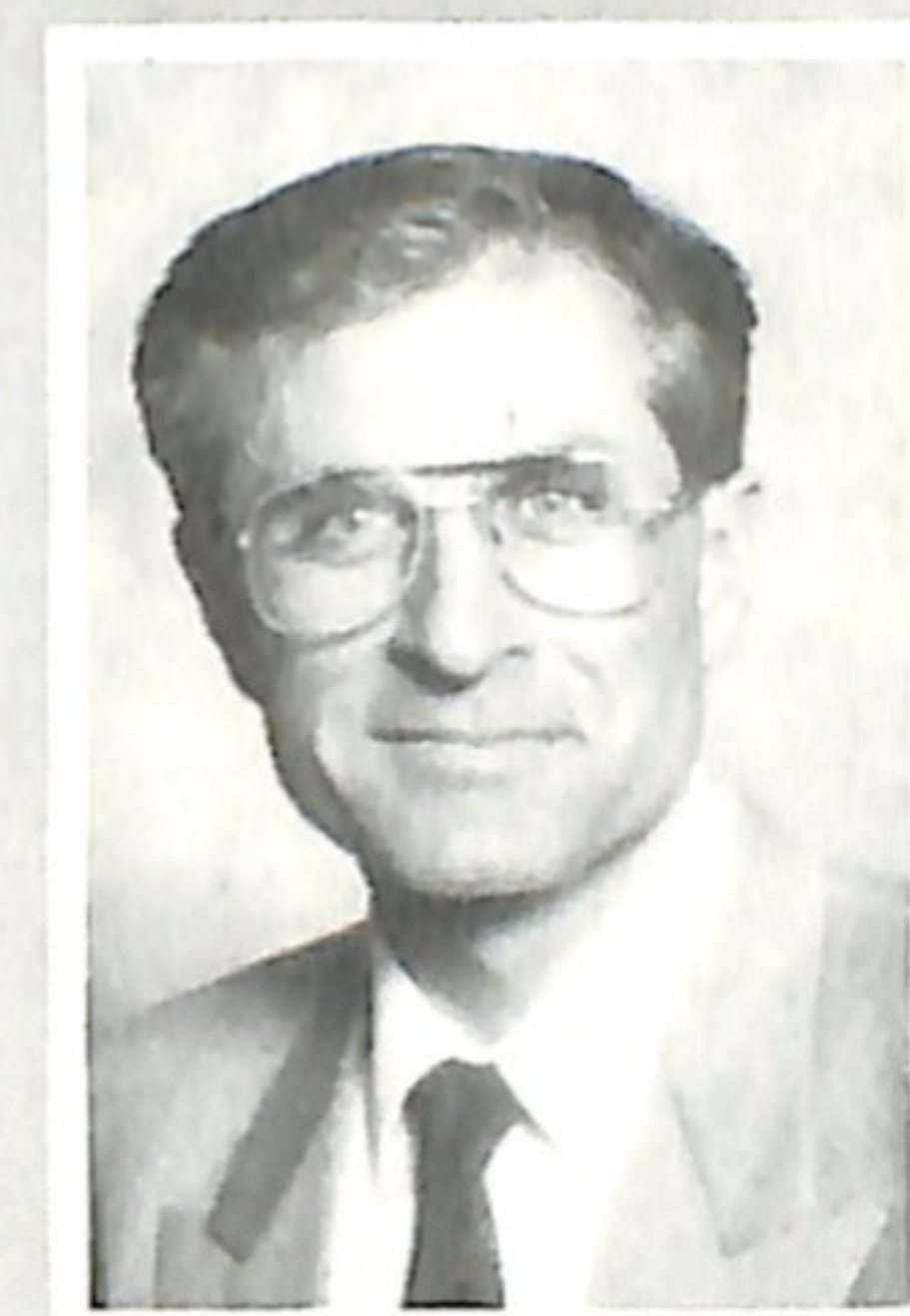
board's budget. School board president Alton Purdy tried to explain the reasoning behind cuts. "It is a check book issue," said Mr. Purdy. "We're in a budget squeeze and we need to expand. This battle will be cumbersome and lengthy. It will be hard to provide all the schools with their needs, but through planning our school board is prepared to do its best to improve schools, despite some necessary budget cuts."

Yet another change is the growing concern of the school board and our schools. "Just as your yearbook is being printed on recycled paper, we have recycling bins conveniently located throughout our office," stated Dr. Haro.

"Through recycling, our school board works to bring about improvements on all levels; improvements in our schools as well as changes to improve our environment."

Changes will always need to be made in our schools and change is necessary. Changes are healthy indications of a brighter future because they mean people are concerned. As long as there is concern for our schools, the prospects for the future will keep on getting better and better. After all, we cannot change unless we survive, but we will not survive unless we change.

A Closer Look



Dr. John T. Haro is excited about the changes that are being made in the F.S.U.S.D. "We need a third high school. I would like to see one go up as soon as possible," said Dr. Haro. "It has been obvious for several years that a new high school would be needed. Fairfield is growing rapidly and we are running out of room."

George M. Aldridge
Susan Heumphreus
Elizabeth Kevilus



Kathlien La Plante
Alton J. Purdy
Nancy Rossi
Richard L. Wood



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The problem in our system is low wealth and high enrollment. We are poor for our size.

-Alton Purdy

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◆ In a fact gathering meeting, the restructuring committee members listened to Melanie Schoenborn, an A.F.S. student, describe the system of education in Australia. Melanie is from an experimental system similar to the one being considered by the committee.

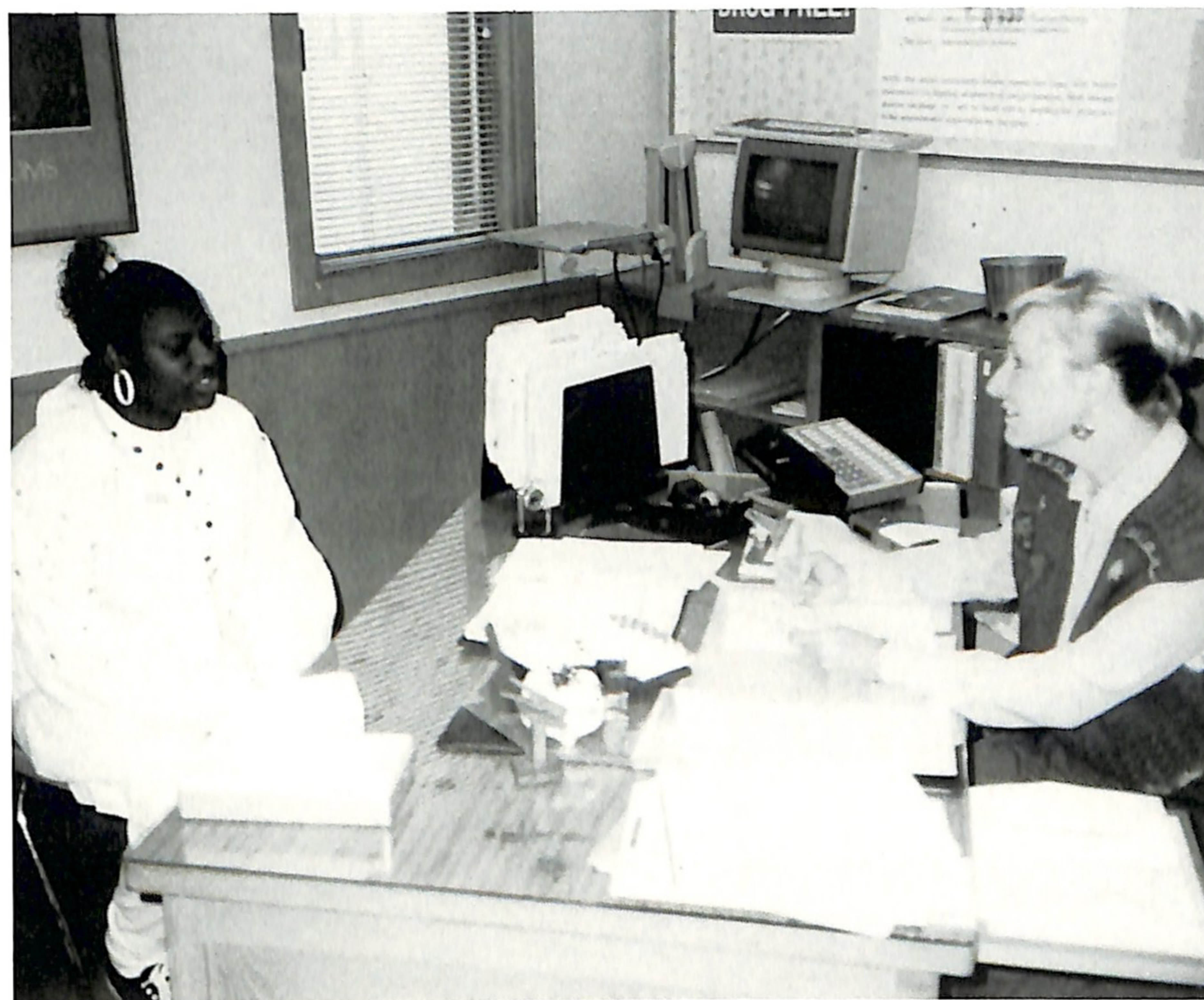
A Closer Look



As soon as the school was granted the money to become a restructuring planning school, Mr. Chmielewski went right into the student body and faculty for ideas. In the beginning of the second semester, a meeting was held in the library for interested students. Mr. Chmielewski helped the students understand what was happening to the school and what they could do to help.

▼ An assistant principal has many jobs. In a conference, Dr. J. Fitzgibbons shares with Lakisha Wright some of her concerns about the school. Dr. Fitzgibbons was readily available whenever there was a student with a question. Another one of her duties was to assign Saturday school and maintain discipline with the students.

◆ It was never a problem for Mr. Leo Petty to take time to talk to students. Mr. Petty was always available for questions from students like Nancy Cannistra, Marlon Flournoy, Peter Adams, and Amy Pugliese. "Armijo is ready for restructuring because of the innovation of the students and staff and the willingness to improve," said Mr. Petty.



A school of the future

What will come to Armijo now?

The issue of restructuring was a big deal on campus. When the school was applying for the grant to be a "demo school" some confusion and concern occurred. Armijo should receive a grant to change its system to find a better way of educating students.

One example of the changes the school might be making would start with the scheduling of the classes given to the students. This would mean the students could choose the classes they wanted and the schedule that would fit best into their lives. Not only might the students come to school on their own scheduling bases, there might be less students on campus at one time.

Another idea in the changes considered for the school would deal with the teachers. Teachers wouldn't need all the credentials they need now. This might lead to people in the community stepping

in and teaching students what they know. This would open up a completely different door to how the students learn and from whom.

The goal of the restructuring committee is to make sure the students leave the school with the knowledge they need to survive in the "real world." Sometimes the A through F scale of achievement doesn't nail down what the students know or insure that they are ready to step outside high school. The committee wants to make sure that the graduates know how to learn and can continue this process in the "real world."

Restructuring is a slow process. It involves risks and the people involved are risk takers. The students are always expected to grow. Well, shouldn't the institution of education develop also? There should be no double standards. Instead, the right changes

should be made for the right reasons. There are no better reasons than the upgrading of a school and its' clients: the students!

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It is important for the administration to be supportive of the restructuring. We're education leaders and our job is to assist the students and teachers in making the school work.

-Mr. Bob Bailey

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▲ One of Mr. Bailey's responsibilities as assistant principal is dealing with students' schedules. He speaks with Kirsten Sanderson, Takishka Wright, Marcus Russell, and Daniel Weirich about their schedules. He was always found around campus ready to mitigate disputes between students or to make sure the seniors were set to graduate.

Clubs and organizations were the backbone of the campus, bringing the school community together. This was done by unifying students with common interests and goals.

Melinda Muir enjoyed the diversity of clubs. She found many of her needs and interests catered to. "I am a member of CSF, the Ambassadors club, and AFS. I chose these clubs for three primary reasons: to meet new people and make new friends (AFS), give support because I like the purpose of the club (Ambassadors), and it looks good on college resumes to be involved in an honor society such as CSF. I also joined the club because I was just happy to have made the grades," said Melinda. The challenge of making the grade to enter an honor society is a good motivator for many students. "One advantage of being on the Honor Roll is that not only do I have good grades, I also qualify to belong to Honor Societies," commented Cynthia Whithead, member of Quill and Scroll.

Clubs and Organizations also enhance skills and lessons taught in the classroom. "The routine of learning out of a text book becomes very boring, very quickly. By being a member of the art club, I find I can break that routine and further improve my skills by sharing my ideas with other artists," said John Walker, Art Club President. "One example of a learning experience out of the classroom was the Gallery Walk we took. For instance it showed me what kind of work artists can get away with selling for \$1000.00," added John.

For all those who wanted extra career oriented opportunities, clubs such as DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America), FFA (Future Farmers of America), FHA (Future Homemakers of America) and FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) were available.

Wider community awareness could also be found in clubs such as Key Club. "I enjoy working with the community. When I worked at the special olympics I felt I was needed there. Key Club gives me something to do," said Michael Ng, Key Club member.

The purpose of clubs and organizations on campus continued rock solid traditions with fresh ideas. Throughout the year when a closer look was taken, a common bond was seen that brought each club and organization together in harmony. It was forward thinking and a common goal to set the attitudes and spirit on campus ahead of all others. Every year each club and organization has left behind a small token of the things they did for the school. Clubs and organizations are an opportunity for students to find their place.

Finishing!

OUR Place





Military dances are a long held tradition in the armed forces. They are formal dances where cadets are given a chance to wear the dashing military formal wear. This year's R.O.T.C. military ball was held at the Travis Officer's Club at Travis Air Force Base. The ball is an exciting occasion because of the anticipation of the many officers and cadets in line for promotion. One special girl will become queen of the ball, elected by secret ballot. Queen Brandi Lyons said, "I felt proud and honored to share in this long upheld tradition. Being selected from among so many gives you a special feeling inside."

The fall ASB officers; Pres. Jill Dineen, Vice Pres. Heather Ramey, Sec. Keri Bell, Rally Commissioners; Amy Gemmer, Janie Briggs, Lisa Freer, Amy O'Branovich.

Leading The Tribe



One of the most valuable classes offered is Student Leadership which is supervised by Activities Director, Dan Harrison. The many members split up into numerous committees, such as Homecoming, Friday Night Live, Dance, and Rally. "I think they do a really good job putting everything together and it is very well organized. Each person works on his own specialized project. They can concentrate all of their efforts on one thing," Freshman Class President Denise Gitsham said. "I knew it would be a real commitment because we have to dedicate so much time and energy, and that is what keeps me going." ASB

President Jill Dineen commented.

Some of the officers have the opportunity to go to California Association of Directors of Activities (CADA) camp. They learned meeting skills, how to have more creative rallies, and how to start an air band competition. "I think CADA camp would be an excellent idea for anyone, not just officers. I applied what I learned at camp during my term of office," Junior Class Vice-President Mieriena Choi said.

One of the most exciting times of the year is in the spring when officers are elected. "I was a nervous wreck all day, I couldn't concentrate in any of my classes," said Keith Caulfield about voting

day. Once the results were announced, the candidates were relieved. "I was excited that I became an officer. I wanted to help my class in the upcoming semester," sophomore class senator Pat Vogelpohl said.

Students and officers devote time before school, at lunch, and after school to ensure that all of the activities run smoothly.

Leadership is the driving force behind school spirit and makes the campus a better place to be.

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The Leadership Class



Leadership has made me want to run for office in state or local government. -Senior Class President Courtney Anderson.



One of the many activities that leadership organizes is the Wednesday Night Jam. Performing the Rootbeer Chug is Eileen Casuga.

▼ The men behind the scenes are the backbone to the Senior Float. Mike Kim and Jason Parkhouse push the Indian Head up with ease inside the float.



◆ Senior Class Officers: Left to Right, Secretary; Kelly Brannon, Senator; Robin Dorsett, President; Courtney Anderson, Senator; Jeanette Guerra, and Vice President; Macario Dagdagan. (Not Pictured), Senator; Mike Kim.



◆ Junior Class Officers: Left to Right, Senator; Mike Garver, Senator; Johanna McKenzie, President; Nicole VanVacas, Committee Chair; Cherati Hart, Senator; Dawn Schuman, Committee Chair; Laura Sandberg, Secretary; Amy Weirich, and Representative; Charles Haggerty.



◆ "I never thought I would be an Activities Director. I was planning on being a social science teacher. Since I got here, I regret not always wanting to have been an activities director," said Dan Harrison.



◆ Sophomore Class Officers: Left to Right, President; Amy Freer, Committee Chair; Wendie Warf, Secretary; Paula Smith, Committee Chair; Erynn Knox, Senator; Christen Recknagel, Representatives; Robin Giles, and Diane Smith, Vice President; Spring Steed, Senator; Barbra Briggs, and Senator; Pat Vogelpohl.



◆ Freshmen Class Officers: Left to Right, Senator; Darcy Hall, Senator; Alexis Scalice, Senator; Darcy Hall, Senator; Jennifer McKenzie, Vice President; Jennifer Faulkner. (Not Pictured), Secretary; Christine Herrera.

Making Decisive Changes

The primary objective of the Key Club was to become involved in the community and the environment. They organized tree planting, a canned food drive, and fund raisers to raise money for community projects. "The student members who are helping with improving the environment in the Key Club are highly respected on campus and throughout Solano County," said Paula Thompson.

Conventions provided the opportunity for judges to ask students a variety of questions

dealing with the Key Club before

Q :

How do you feel about helping the community?

A :

"I feel good about it because there are children and adults who need my help".

-Irene Blancaflor

they could become an officer. Election of officers, i.e., Vice-president and Treasurer, was a difficult task, but members found it challenging. In addition, student members entered workshops which included public speaking, improving the club's potential, and fund-raising ideas.

With perpetual activities, members of the Key Club held concessions, walk-a-thons, and completed a clean-up program between C and D hall. "If we can plant a tree every so often, maybe we can stop some of the pollution in the world," says Tom Regan.

♦ Lara Hall listens attentively during an after school Key Club meeting. As an active member, Lara enjoys working with people. "I enjoy meeting new people which I do a lot of in Key Club. I hope that our club can help to improve the campus in many ways," she said.



♦ Jennifer Thompson, Paula Thompson, Michael Ng, Nicky Gomez, Sheri Murphy, Kathleen Dionisio, Kristen Saukko, Lannett Todd, Davidrei Tan, Vi Dam, Xuan Truong, Lara Hall, Jan Neely, Michelle Bien, Emile Soriano, Nabraj Rai, Karm Sahota, Jack Batson, Inbal Sansani. Not pictured: Rodney Moy, Lovdip Basi, Irene Dorsey, Jenny Burroughs, Jason Fox, Pat Vogelpohl, Sadia Bakhtawar, Charles Haggerty, Susie Takhur, Sabeen Adenwala, Keith Caulfield, Kristen Mauldin, Matt Hancock, Sunni Jergensen, Christina Wilson, John Elliot, Tom Regan, Frank Yim, Joanne Barber, Blondell Hurry, Bonnie Regan, Luane Reyes, Natalie Williams, Irene Blancaflor, LaVonda Bonnard, Jessie Blythe, Heidi Reiter, Casey VanVeen.



♦ Jack Batson, dedicates his time once a week to Key Club. He sits patiently listening to the club discussion. "I enjoy being the advisor of the Key Club. They are a group of talented students," said Mr. Batson.

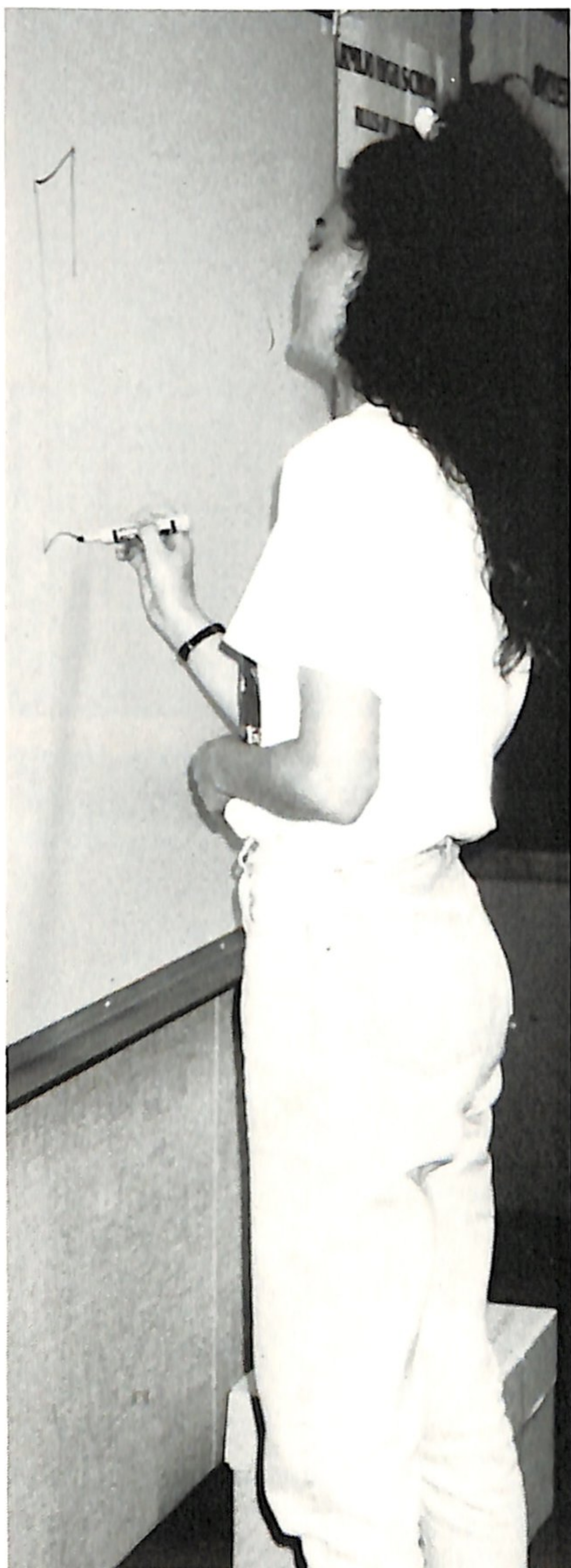


♦ The president of the Key Club, Jennifer Thompson, explains the agenda to the members. Complimenting her diligent peer members for a job well done with the Child Haven's Halloween Party. "I'm very proud of you guys, we've had a good year."



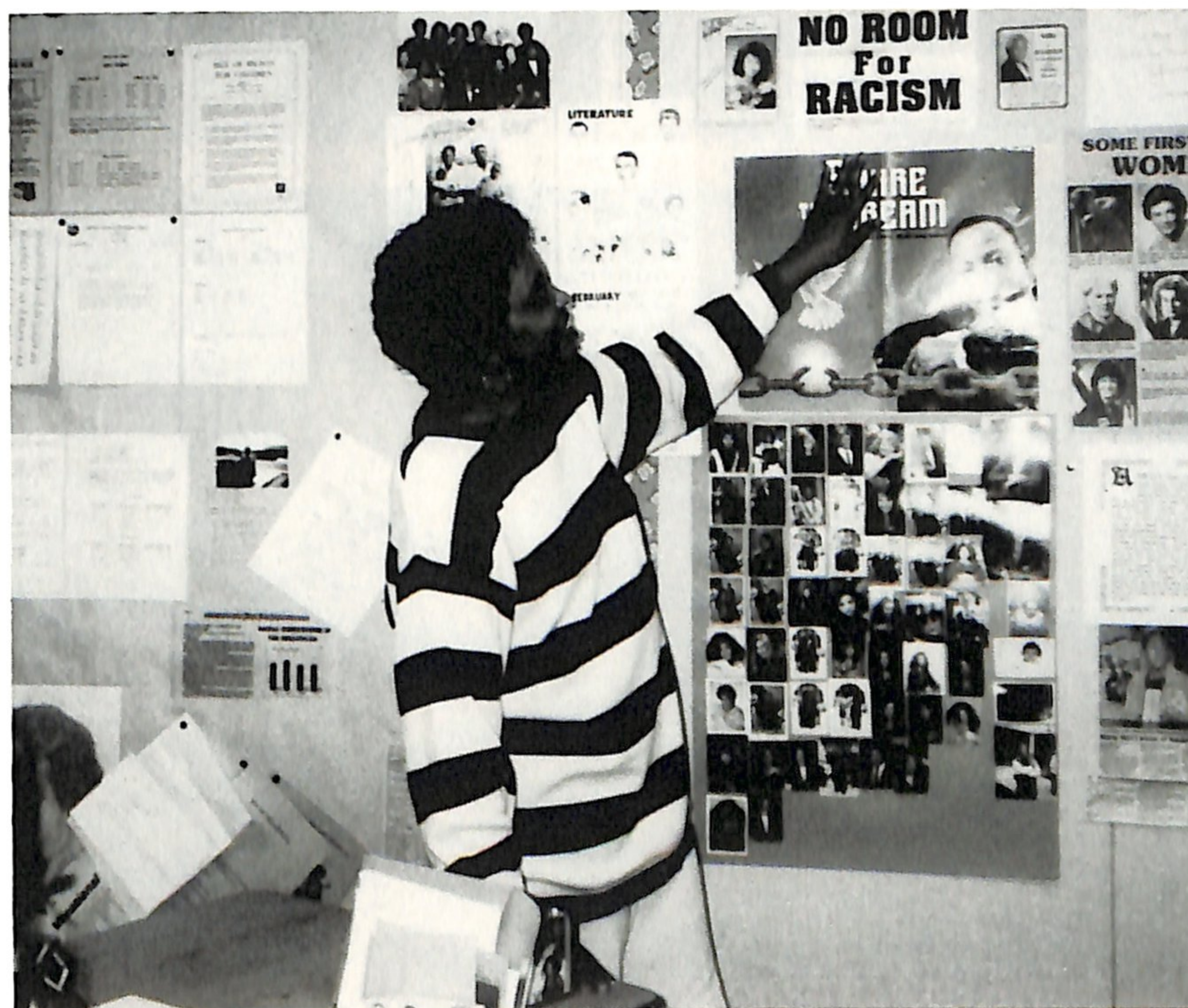
♦ "What was that again?" thinks Michael Ng as he's taking notes of the weekly meeting, trying quickly, yet carefully, to write down what's being said. "I like the Club because it gives me a chance to show how much I care about the community. I have a good time with my friends. I joined the club to try to make a difference and because I enjoy helping local environment. Activities such as planting trees allowed me to accomplish that," said Michael.

♥ Tiffany Martindale writes the weekly topic on the board. She commented, "We try to promote some kind of togetherness but not enough students seem to think it's a big deal."



♦ STAR Club officers: Tiffany Martindale, A.J. Rollins, Nelda Mundy, Sandra Evans, Lanett Todd, Gerald Davis. Not pictured: Keith Caulfield.

♥ STAR members discuss the causes of racial tension and ways prejudice can be eliminated within our campus. "I like STAR because, it promotes racial harmony," stated Mrs. Evans.



♦ Mrs. Nelda Mundy, the advisor of STAR, expresses to her students that there is no room for racism! Students should not hate because of culture or color, but enjoy being different and learn about other cultures and people.

Striving For Change

STAR was a multi-cultured club whose objective was to help alleviate racial problems on our school campus. The STAR Club stands for "Students Together Against Racism." Students would meet twice a month to discuss issues of potential racial problems, in addition to brainstorming probable solutions to these problems. Some of their past activities included monthly programs where members read poems, presented musical selections, and became involved in other activities related

to a particular cultural group. When asked, "How has your involvement with the STAR Club

Q

How do you feel about racism?

A

"It's a problem that needs to be confronted."
-Gerald Davis

help you to become a better person?" A.J. Rollins replied, "I think STAR has taught me not to be closed-minded. It has helped me understand other cultures and learn more about where they are coming from."

These programs were presented on an informal basis in the Quad area on the main campus during lunch. They had presented workshops at the Booker T. Washington Revisited Conference on Racism and at the school district's Multi-Cultural Task Force meet-

ings. Any time there was a racially motivated incidence or any other racial problem, one could be confident that the STAR Club would assist in finding a positive solution. The club was a place where students were able to gather and express their feelings about racism.

The STAR Club has provided moral support and solidarity for its members. It is a forum where students can vent their concerns, frustrations, and beliefs.

Celebrating Difference

During World War One, some farsighted volunteers created an organization to promote peace and understanding throughout the world. This organization is known today as AFS Intercultural Programs.

The organization did not actually become a reality until 1947 when the first student exchange occurred between the United States and Germany. Today, 180,000 students later, AFS has almost 90 countries involved.

AFS does not only involve the students and teachers that exchange, but everyone that comes in contact with the students and their cultures, values and lifestyles. "Lots of my fellow classmates ask me about my country. This makes me happy because they want to know about me and my culture and I can teach them," said Silvia Olmos, exchange student from Argentina.

The Student AFS club boasted 147 members this year, and all were involved in numerous activities such as Trick-or-

Treating, the Bowl-a-thon, Caroling and "Holidays around the World," where each student made a display of what they do at Christmas and set it up in the library. Some larger events were the Robert Burns Dinner, the camping trip and the AFS weekend. The AFS weekend took place in mid-April and all the AFS exchange students in Northern California came and spent the weekend in Fairfield. "AFS is a very rewarding club. All the different activities make it worthwhile," said Buffie Ram-

sey, a club member.

Spending time with exchange students and being able to learn from and teach each other fulfills the purpose of the organization to create peace and harmony amongst all nations.

"I love to talk about my country." - Silvia Olmos, Argentina



♦ The AFS Executive officers of 1991-92: - Heidi Reiter, Eric James, Tina Wallace, Kirsten Dick, Mrs. Mary Fout (advisor), Katherine Kalamaras, Mierena Choi, seated: Laura Sandberg, Keith Caulfield, Christopher Blubaugh, Nicole Van Vacas, Not pictured: Michelle Davis, Paige Ivey.

♦ Some exchange students who were involved in the AFS Club: Meeri Lepik (Sweden), Melanie Schoenborn (Australia), Maria Guzam (teacher from Argentina), Aman Yoseph (Germany), Miyo Akaike (Japan), Silvia Olmos (Argentina), Kerginaldo Martins (Brazil).



AFS Club Members: Thomas Allen, Amanda Altier, Sabeen Adenwala, Turan Tran, Darcy Baker, Lovdip Basi, Rachel Barney, Claire Bond, Vanessa Calloway, Janette Cayan, Kim Coachman, Cindy Davis, Delia Diaz, Michelle Feliciano, Justin Giangrasso, Ana Gallegos, Nicky Gomez, Charles Haggerty, Stacy Harvey, Anthony Herana, Mike Ihle, Mike Jensen, Chris Johnson, Eric Kanemoto, Zachary Kenny, Tae Kim, Debi Kumar, Victor Llaguno, Jim Merrill, William Moore, Melinda Muir, Sheri Murphy, Natalie Pelich, Thutuyen Phamle, Joyanne Ramirez, Angela Ramirez, Joy Reed, Tom Regan, Janice Robinson, Brian Sanetel, Kristen Saukko, Jenine Shamieh, Lannett Todd, Xuan Truong, Nicole Vasquez, Henry Yu, David Warner, Natalie Williams, Fred Wulsin, Garrett Alway, Amber Asbe, Joanne Barber, Rahul Baho, Teresa Beck, Michelle Bien, Jessie Blythe, Madhuri Borde, Laury Boyd, Jenny Burroughs, Becky Canaday, Stephani Cannon, Aaron Campbell, Andy Chambers, William Chan, Doug Clement, Vi Dam, Kathleen Dionisio, Stephanie Finley, Carlos Fon, Jason Fox, Gladys Gonzalez, Billie Green, Laura Hoehn, Gloria Hammad, Cherati Hart, Jennifer Hart, Amy Harvey, Katsuto Hirai, Jamie Hudson, Tiffeny Jimenez, Aimee Kessler, Mohammad Kharufeh, Phaedra Lamkims, Kristina Leach, Jason Lee, Mary Lee, Robert Leon, Allie Loran, Chris Luthi, Dieu Ly, Isaiah Leslie, Rodney Moy, Gina Marrell, Angela Murtaugh, Joe Ona, Jan Neeley, Mike Nevels, David Perry, Nancy Ponce, Bonie Regan, Margarita Ramirez, Rocio Ramirez, Buffy Ramsey, Eileen Cosuga, Alice Robertson, Anna Sawyer, Andschana Sessoms, Mike Smith, Angelica Sanchez, Kathy Sumida, Ruth Southernwood, Davidrei Tan, Heather Tisdell, Katherine Shman, Anh Nguyen Van, Andrew Wilson, Doug Warner, Emma Willey, Shea Wetherford, Julie Yukhtman, Cristopher Blubagh, Mierena Choi, Michelle Davis, Keith Caulfield, Kirsten Dick, Paige Ivey, Eric James, Katherine Kalamaras, Heidi Reiter, Laura Sandberg, Nicole Van Vacas, Tina Wallace, Meeri Lepik, Miyo Akaike, Nathalia Alvarez, Virpi Kantanen (AFS), Kasansky Martins (AFS), Kathrine Nielsen, Silvia Olmos (AFS), Melanie Schoenborn (AFS), Aman Yoseph (AFS), Rungrave Krasay (AFS), and Maria Guzman.

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What has happened to you in AFS that was memorable?

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"I was on the camping trip and I awoke one morning to find that I was padlocked into my tent. It turned out that I had to part way dig myself out." - Mike Ihle



◆ The first annual International AFS dinner was attended by AFS members, their parents and exchange students. Everyone shared delicacies from around the world. "Absolutely delicious ... lamb prepared in a special Greek way ... chicken curry from Sri Lanka! It was great!" said Mary Fout, AFS co-ordinator.

♥ Mr. Joe Summers joined in on the fun at the AFS weekend shaving cream spree. He comments, "I never wear clothes I am concerned about on the AFS weekend because I always know someone will attack me with something messy. Nevertheless the AFS weekend is my favorite time of the year."



◆ The AFS club this year was once again the largest on campus. Members shared many fun times together. Mike Jensen stated, "My sophomore year I signed up for AFS not knowing what to expect. I liked it and I signed up again for this year. AFS did not let me down and I am happy about that."

◆ The Redwood forest set the scene for the camping trip this year. Many hours were spent around the campfire listening to tales of days gone by. "The camping trip was so much fun. Everyone relaxed, and we all laughed together." reflected Nicole Van Vacas, executive committee member.

Taking A Closer Look

Close Up provided the opportunity to learn about American government through first-hand experiences. Headed by advisor, Mr. Frank Kardos, the club has been active for the past 3 years. Members became involved in activities such as symposiums (an open forum discussion on current issues), but the main focus was on the annual trip to Washington D.C. Senior Amy Gemmer recalled her enthusiasm and said, "I anxiously looked forward to watching political activity take place on Capital Hill." Nicole

Van Vacas, a Junior, said, "It was an exciting experience to go with

Q	Did you have any qualms about the trip?
A	I was most nervous about the plane ride because I hadn't flown in one since I was six years old. - Feuy Saelee

a group that offered me opportunities I wouldn't have had other-

wise."

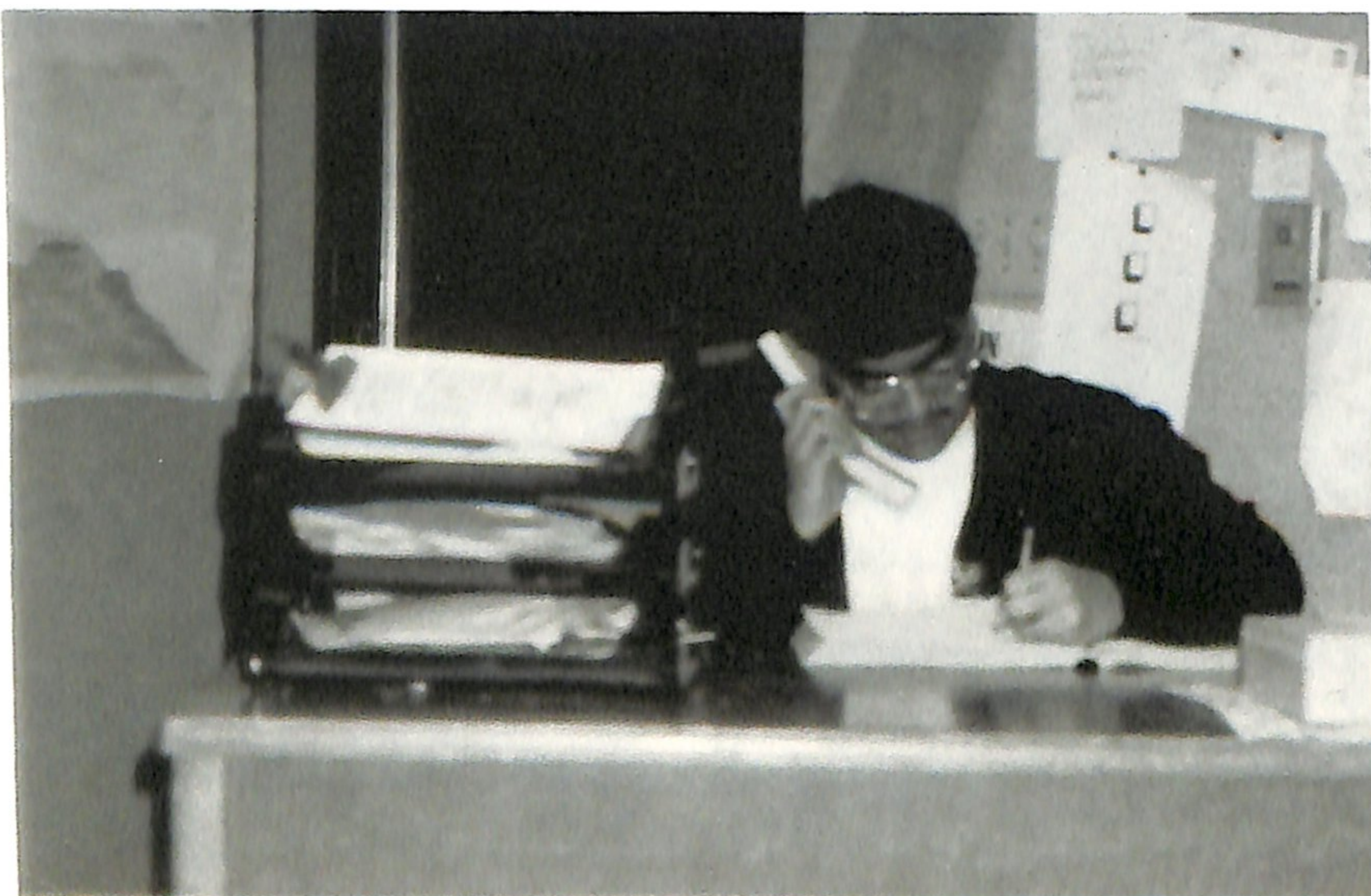
In getting ready for this 7-day event, members sought the assistance of business donations and candy sales to help fund their expenses. The six individuals educated themselves as well by reading books on the latest political issues, while Mr. Kardos coordinated the plans and made the final arrangements for the trip.

The first week in February marked this year's well-anticipated visit to the nation's capital. This rare chance to engage in an up-close look at the government and its various branches allowed the group to take advantage of

seeing how the government functions. They were able to sit in on congressional meetings, met numerous political leaders, and visit many of the famous sites in Washington D.C. Junior Anthony Herana said, "Going to Washington, seeing the sites, and meeting new people was the reward for all the work we had done." Mr. Kardos summed it up by saying, "It was a great pleasure to share an inside look at Washington with some fine students."

◆ The members of Close Up that proudly represented our school in Washington D.C. included Kelsey Chew, David Barnett, Anthony Herana, Nicole Van Vacas and Feuy Saelee.

Not Pictured: Amy Gemmer and advisor Frank Kardos. The week of February 2-February 8 marked this year's trip which featured visits to the White House and the Smithsonian Institute.



◆ In order to lessen the financial needs for the club's visit to the Capital, Junior Anthony Herana called on the assistance of local merchants. "Through our efforts of contacting local businesses, we were able to obtain a much appreciated amount of money," said Anthony.

◆ To help fund the expenses for their trip, members were dependent on the profits from fundraisers such as candy sales. Junior Nicole Van Vacas sold her candy to Freshman Shawn Sample in return for his 50¢ contribution. "The profits from the candy sales went towards our spending money," said Nicole.



◆ Terri Magpusao and Alfonso Talusik worked together wrapping Lumpia for the A.P.I. club. Their Lumpia sales were a success with faculty and students. "Wrapping Lumpia took a lot of effort but having the club there helped the time go by quickly," Terri said.

◆ President Leeza Palmer and Treasurer Joyce Wan, along with first year member Terri Magpusao, help each other cook the meat for the Lumpia. Cooking the meat, which is the main ingredient, takes a few minutes, but wrapping the Lumpia takes a few hours.

◆ Christine Supiping and Christine Pena take time out to cut the chestnuts for the Lumpia. These A.P.I. members helped the club willingly after school. "Just being there after school was fun because my friends, like Chris, helped me willingly," Christine commented.



◆ M. DeVera, E. Smith, M. Almares, M. Navarro, C. Bactad, J. Nguyen, T. Ioane, G. Limlingan, C. Supiping, M. Magpusao, T. Magpusao, N. Magpusao, A. Valencia, A. Cinco, J. Wan, L. Palmer, J. Ordonia, M. Cinco, D. Bangad, J. Rillo, L. Park, F. Velando, L. Manglallan, J. Ordonia, G. Klinefelter, M. Bautista, J. Palma, C. Libatique, J. Libatique, D. Miranda, P. Talusik, J. Gangcuango, E. Gabagat, N. Quintanilla, I. Madronio, J. Zamora, M. Cruz, R. Quimel, R. Fish, C. Armanino, A. Chon, T. Rimando, M. Azucena, D. Isapa, C. Morales, E. Satterfield, A. Antonio, S. Tan, C. Pena, M. Guara, B. Talusik, O. Mendoza, A. Cayabyab, R. Pingol, A. Velasquez, R. Rallie, J. Bactad, J. Gaspar, A. Talusik, J. Zamora.

United Together As One

The Pacific Islander's Association and Asian American Club united together to form the Asian-Pacific Islander's Club (A.P.I.), for which Ms. Fout was the advisor. They still hold the same values and serve the same purposes when they were two separate clubs. What purposes and values did the clubs share? First year member Ray Fish commented, "A.P.I. brings different cultures together peacefully." Gerald Limlingan views A.P.I.'s purpose as, "A way to

keep people in touch of what family togetherness is really like."

The A.P.I. is consisted of Guamanians, Filipinos, Koreans, Hawaiians, Thai, Chinese, and Japanese. They have pride in coming together to have fun with their fundraisers. Their fundraisers included the usual candy sales, Eastergrams, and ever popular Lumpia sales. Aileen Cinco described the fun that she had in A.P.I. "The fun part, for me, was raising money with my friends for our club."

Being in A.P.I. has excitement for many with the fundraisers and

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What is the purpose and values of the Asian-Pacific Islander's club?

A

The purpose is to learn about each other's cultures and have fun. -Pres. L. Palmer.

an end-of-the-year trip to look forward to. This year's trip

wasn't the usual trip to Great America. Instead, it was an exciting campout in Manteca.

When all the fun and games ended, what benefits did a year long member receive? "The benefits I received from A.P.I. was meeting new friends of different cultures," Sergeant of Arms Nannette Magpusao said. Jun Gaspar received a different benefit. Jun said, "It gave me a sense of unity between the Asians at the end-of-the-year!"

Planting For The Future

The rooster crows, the pigs squeal, and the bell rings. These are all familiar sounds for the FFA. The Future Farmers of America organization is often thought of as a club, but it is, in fact, a class that teaches people about a possible future career in farming. There were four periods of FFA and most of the time was spent in the classroom. Contrary to popular belief, the FFA members did not spend all of their time taking care of pigs and driving tractors. They had notes to take, tests to pass and a lot of information to learn. Many of the students come from families in the farming business and one was in his fourth year of FFA. Members like Daniel Douthiet, in his fourth year plan to pur-

sue farming as a career. When asked why he chose farming, Daniel, who is president of FFA, replied, "I'd like to follow my family by farming and I really had a lot of fun. The experience was great and I made money at the fair."

The major event of the year was the Dixon May Fair, where the FFA has a history of success. The

FFA participated in the fair's contest and entered produce as well as livestock. Third year member Stacy German was very enthusiastic about FFA. Not only was she an officer, but she entered her prize winning animals in shows once a month. "My parents were really supportive and I love working with animals. I found the experience unbeatable and the prize money was not discouraging at all."

Another member, Lindsay Moore, was asked what duties she performed. She replied, "I keep the farm clean and do my best to raise my animals with the finest care possible." Students of FFA are able to get grants to purchase their livestock which are sold twice a year at the Dixon May Fair and Solano County Fair. With the profits that the students

make, the grants are paid back and the remainder goes to the students. The grants are used for buying the animals and for part of the cost for the care and feeding the animals. The total cost of buying a pig and taking care of it is about two hundred dollars and can be sold for \$1.90 to \$4.00 per pound. As a freshman, Steve Little made seven hundred dollars profit on his pig which was named the Reserve Grand Champion at the Dixon May Fair.

The FFA has always been proud of its members and produces students with practical and marketable knowledge of farming, not to mention green thumbs. The students also get the satisfaction of raising prize winning farm animals. Members are bound to have yielding crops, happy farms, and successful lives.

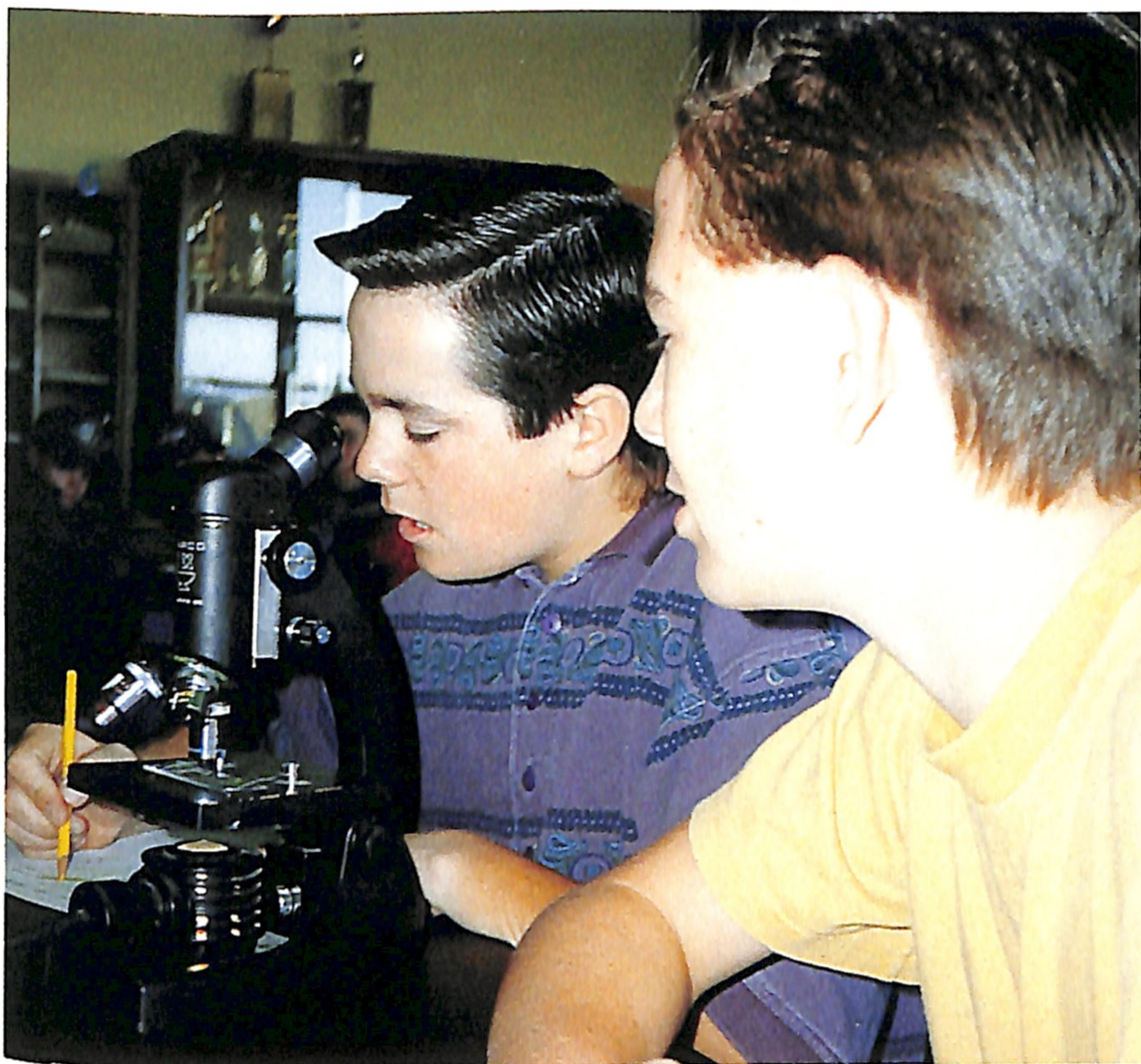
"I think that anyone who enjoys working with animals and has an aptitude for science should definitely join the FFA." - Gerald Davis.



▲ President Daniel Douthit stands with the giant chicken that looked over the crops at Larry's Produce in Suisun Valley. "We all had a lot of fun and learned a great deal of information that will help all of us in our future farming," said Daniel.



▲ In the days of the pioneers the fields were plowed by horses, "I prefer a John Deere," said Tim Clement. Tim's duties as treasurer not only include taking care of the finances, but also helping take care of the school farm.



◆ Using microscopes, Curt Lindeman and Brett Campos study the complexity of plant and animal cells. Biological studies were a large part of the duties of the FFA curriculum as well as taking care of the school farm.

▼ Many hours of work go into preparing a steer for show. Jennifer Lindeman carefully watched on as Lindsay Moore grooms and fits the steer for the competition.



◆ Stacy German proudly poses with her prize winning steer at the Dixon May Fair. "That was one of the best shows I've been to," said Stacy. "It was nice to see the support that the other students gave me during the show."



◆ Lindsay Moore, Stacy German and members who attended the Solano county fair proudly show their market beef. "The fairs were the best parts of being in FFA," says Lindsay Moore. "A lot of work goes into the animals, but that only makes the rewards more meaningful."

Future Farming in America

Farming as a career can be very rewarding, but there are many hardships. A farmer has early mornings, long days and a continuous gamble with Mother Nature. They face tough conditions such as droughts, extreme temperatures and low market prices. Progress and new technology are helping farmers deal with some of the major problems like the white fly, which caused an enormous amount of damage to California crops this past year.

With all of the worries in a farmer's life, one might think it would discourage upcoming generations. When Future Farmers of America-Armijo chapter President Daniel Douthit was asked what would discourage him from farming as a career, he replied, "If humans stopped eating."

A career in farming is exciting and rewarding and the FFA has always been a great way to get a head start. "When I first joined FFA, I thought I would just raise animals and have fun," said Daniel Douthit, "now I see that if I hadn't joined I would not have been prepared for my future career."

Did You Know?

Of a 600 lb. steer carcass, 83 lbs. is considered waste in the form of fat and bone.

It takes 330 lbs. of grain, 70 lbs. of protein and 10,000 lbs. of hay, silage and grass just to grow a calf to a weaning age of 450 lbs.

Of a 600 lb. carcass, 25% are steaks, 25% are roasts, 25% is ground beef and stew meat and the remaining 25% is waste.

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○ Of a 1000 lb. steer how many pounds is actual beef?

A

○ Only 432 pounds is beef.

Hablas Español

► A president's job is never done. Mayo Club president, Jorge Torres takes some time off his busy schedule to look at some of the ideas that Alberto Dominguez has for the club. I'm impressed by the progress the club has made," said Jorge with a smile.

Hola Amigos y bienvenidos al club de Mayo donde los estudiantes hispanos se reunen a compartir sus ideas y culture con otros. Los estudiantes participan en varias actividades y conocen chicos y chicas de otros paises hispanos.

Noble E. Richards became the advisor for the club because he really enjoys working with the students. "I think it's important for every group of students to have an opportunity to demonstrate pride in their own culture and increase self esteem," said Mr. Richards. The co-advisor, Mr. Falkenstein added, "It's nice to see a group of students work together to achieve a goal, such as helping poor children and hav-

ing a positive social interaction."

The club reached many highlights through several of their activities. They had their annual Posadas in which they went through

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What have you learned from the Mayo Club?

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I've learned to share my thoughts with others," Maria Figueroa-

a few classrooms singing Christmas carols in Spanish. The club was also the proud sponsor of Mi Casa, an orphanage for children in Guatemala. In addition, they

offered a scholarship to the member of the year. "I like the club because we have a variety of different activities and we also get a chance to meet new friends," said Angela Calderon.

This was a club where students come together to share their thoughts and differences with others.

"I like the club because it is a way in which Hispanics of different cultures are able to come together as one," said Vice President Carolina Castillo. Sophomore Maria Figueroa added, "The club gives me a chance to meet new friends from different cultures."

All those involved with the club agreed that due to hard work and dedication the club was a big success.



► M. Rodriguez, F. Robles, J. Torres, F. Rivera, L. Hernandez, J. Juarez, A. Sanchez, L. Cruz, R. Hernandez, J. Lopez, C. Casas, L. Lopez, G. Millan, M. Lopez, O. Pareja, E. Menjivar, A. Soto, A. Morales, M. Ponce, C. Castillo, C. Moody, A. Torres, M. Anguiano, L. Gutierrez, G. Chavez, V. Chavez, A. Mendoza, C. Marchesi, J. Robles, J. Ramirez, P. Jimenez, M. Cerna, A. Dominguez, S. Galindo, C. Morales, E. Sanchez, B. Morales, E. Orfin, I. Galindo, M. Figueroa, R. Godoy, L. Chavez, D. Sanchez, J. Cuevas.

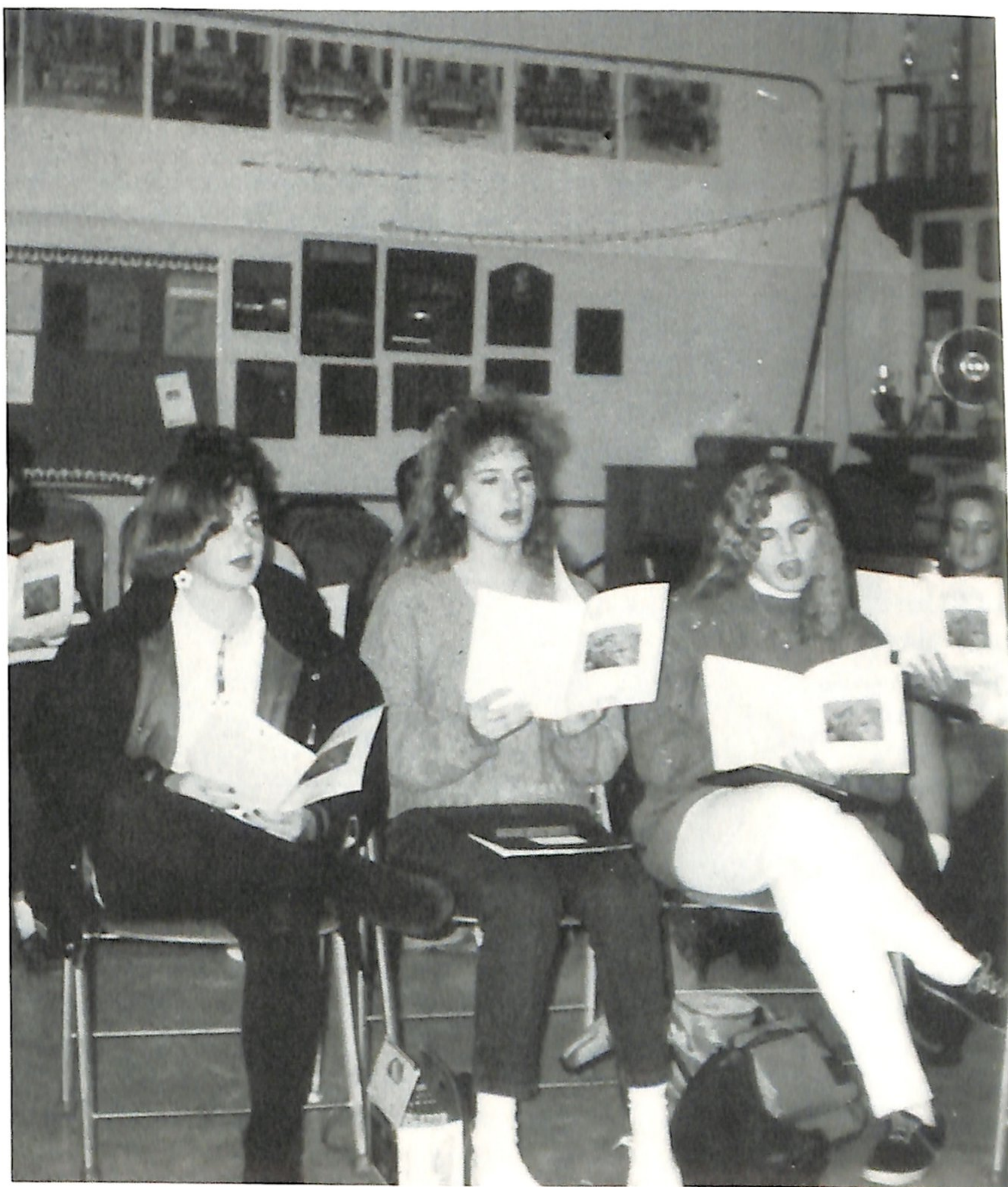


◆ Mayo Club members can always be found working. Dedicated club members Max Dominguez and brother Alberto work together on their own ideas for the club. "I think it's always important to share your ideas with others and work together as one," said Alberto.

◆ The Mayo Club officers: Pedro Jimenez, Vice-President, Jorge Torres, President, Carolina Castillo, Vice-President, Francisco Robles, Treasurer and Mario Rodriguez, special assistant.

▼ A. Altier, P. Hernandez, S. Cardenas, C. Lafacorde, E. Board, J. Veerkamp, M. Espinoza, M. Salinas, R. Coffee, D. Mankini, K. Powell, R. Roberts, A. Crawford, T. Lashley, H. Brock, J. Babcock, G. Steele, L. Park, Ms. Pajita, J. Lewis, F. Williams, T. Lafacorde, J. Anderson, P. Lewis, A. Earnshaw, K. Depue, and G. Heinrich.

◆ Choir students Jennifer Veerkamp, Patty Lewis, Desiree Mankini and Jamie Anderson worked together to keep up with their favorite tune. Jennifer Veerkamp said, "It's a lot of work, but the rewards are worth it." Patty Lewis added, "Choir was a great experience and I loved working with everyone."



▲ Let's tune up! Choir members Heather Brock, Jennifer Babcock, Felicia Williams, and Patricia Hernandez practiced as they waited patiently for their big moment to sing. "Choir gave me an opportunity to work with others as well as improve my own individual style of singing," said Felicia.

Like to sing? Then this was the class for you. Choir was an enjoyable way in which students were able to express themselves through music. Many students enjoyed choir because it was a relaxing break from their busy school schedule. "Choir gives you the challenge to work together instead of against each other," said Freshman Jamie Anderson. Freshman Amie Crawford added, "I enjoy choir because we get to sample all kinds of music."

Choir gave students the opportunity to increase their vocal skills along with self esteem. Students were introduced to several different styles of music, such as vocal jazz, pop, contemporary, classical, folk, and gospel. Ms. Carmel Pajita, (known to her students as PJ) said, "When I start noticing a

musical growth it excites me and I begin to feel the growth of the class."

For some students, choir was an inspiration, but for others it

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Who inspired you to sing?

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"I think my mom inspired me to sing. She is such a terrific singer and I have learned a lot from her over the years," Christina Lafacorde.

brought them pleasure. Patricia Hernandez said, "Choir benefits me by enabling me to sing in church." Felicia Williams also likes to sing in church for her

family and friends. Heather Brock said, "I think choir gives you a chance to work with others and increase self esteem."

Last Christmas, the choir had a successful concert at Gateway Plaza in Fairfield. They sang a variety of Christmas carols for the public and they were featured on KUIC radio. "I think it was a great experience for all of us and we all had a great time," said Ms. Pajita. Christina Lafacorde added, "I think the concert was a success and an unforgettable experience for all of us."

Although choir is a class, it was viewed as so much more by its members. Choir was a chance to escape into the world of harmony and unison.

It's Smashing

The Super Band is more than a group of students marching around and playing instruments or a society of individuals with shiny white shoes. This year the band won four awards including a second and third place for Street, a second place in Field, and a fourth place for Superior Jazz Band which they richly deserved for their outstanding performance.

From 24 members the year before last to 64 this year, the sound and appearance of the band has changed drastically. "There's a different kind of enthusiasm and pride in the band now. That's why it's attracting more students," said Ms. Carmel Pajita.

For some students, band is a way to express their feelings of

music. "The primary reason I joined band was because I love to play and I love expression. Sometimes I like to take a break and just play with no sheet music and no curriculum," commented Nathan Day.

This summer the band is going to Washington D.C. to take part in the Columbus Celebration honoring the 500th anniversary of America. "My favorite part of band is the trips. It gives me a chance to meet new people and entertain a different crowd," said Jeremy Hemingway.

Obviously band is not just a bunch of kids making noise. They are students who love music, love working together in unison, and love the feeling of performing to make others happy.



▶ Playing this particular instrument is truly symbolic of James George's character. "I'm pretty loud at times and I'm good at getting peoples attention. The cymbals and I were made for each other. We both crash through life."

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What made you decide to be in band and how long have you been playing?

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I have been playing an instrument for ten years, now I play the tuba . . . I learned how to play it in three days and have been playing ever since. Sabina Salas



▶ The colorguard unit is well known for their precision marching skills, despite their eccentric spelling style. Amber Ashe (M) joins her marching mates to try and locate the "J". Jamie Campbell (R) said, "I thought being in colorguard would be fun and give me an opportunity to be really involved my first year here. I made a lot of new friends that I might not have met otherwise."



◆ Football games wouldn't be the same without the band there to give the cheerleaders music to dance to and to hype up the crowd with their enthusiastic and inspirational music. Brian Johnson said, "It is hard work, but it all becomes worth it when you hear the crowd stamping their feet to the Indian fight song."

▼ "Being in band is both fun and rewarding, and, in due time, it definitely pays off," said Kathy Jones. Marching together with the rest of the ensemble and keeping in step with the rest of the band members gives her a feeling of unity.



▲ Stacy Adie, Amber Asbe, Dana Atwood, Zenaida Avila, Jenny Barajas, Kim Baugus, Jameelah Bell, Aaron Campbell, Jamie Campbell, Willian Carman, Tony Castillo, Mieriena Choi, Denise Day, Arturo Dela Cruz, Beth Donnellan, Megan Donnellan, Jennifer Doran, Angela Firpo, Roseabelle Galindez, James George, Jill Gherardini, Katrina Hanson, Lisa Harless, Jeremy Hemingway, Tanya Holland, Katy Inman, Jeff Jacobs, Christina Jazuk, Jenifer Jenkins, Tiffany Jimenez, Brian Johnson, Kathy Jones, Kat Kalamaras, Shaheen Khan, Christina Kingsley, Robby Leon, Isaiah Leslie, Sylvia Mackenzie, Tina Mashburn, Ariel Manglallan, Kim Mayo, Lynette McGhee, Sonya Mc Nall, Heather Meier, Jan Miller, Rhett Mitchell, Tommy Morris, Katie Murphy, Angie Murtaugh, Leigh Pandolfi, Dawn Post, Angela Ramirez, Gabriela Ramirez, Veronica Ramirez, Jason Ravina, Lori Reagle, Bina Salas, Marisa Sandoval, Jennifer Schooley, Sara Schooley, Jeremy Sossaman, Lewis Tomas, Leann Wilson.

◆ A drama work session takes place while Angie Schuder, Amy Arnold, and Evangeline Monroy give a helping hand to straighten up and get organized for upcoming events. "It's really important to get our stuff together so we can perform without any worries," stated Evangeline.

◆ Stacey Beerman, Josh Monroe, Shannon Ledbetter, and Kevin O'Gaffney run through their lines before going on stage. Shannon said, "Going over lines is always easy for me when friends help. I find that with help I can memorize my lines for an act in 3 days."

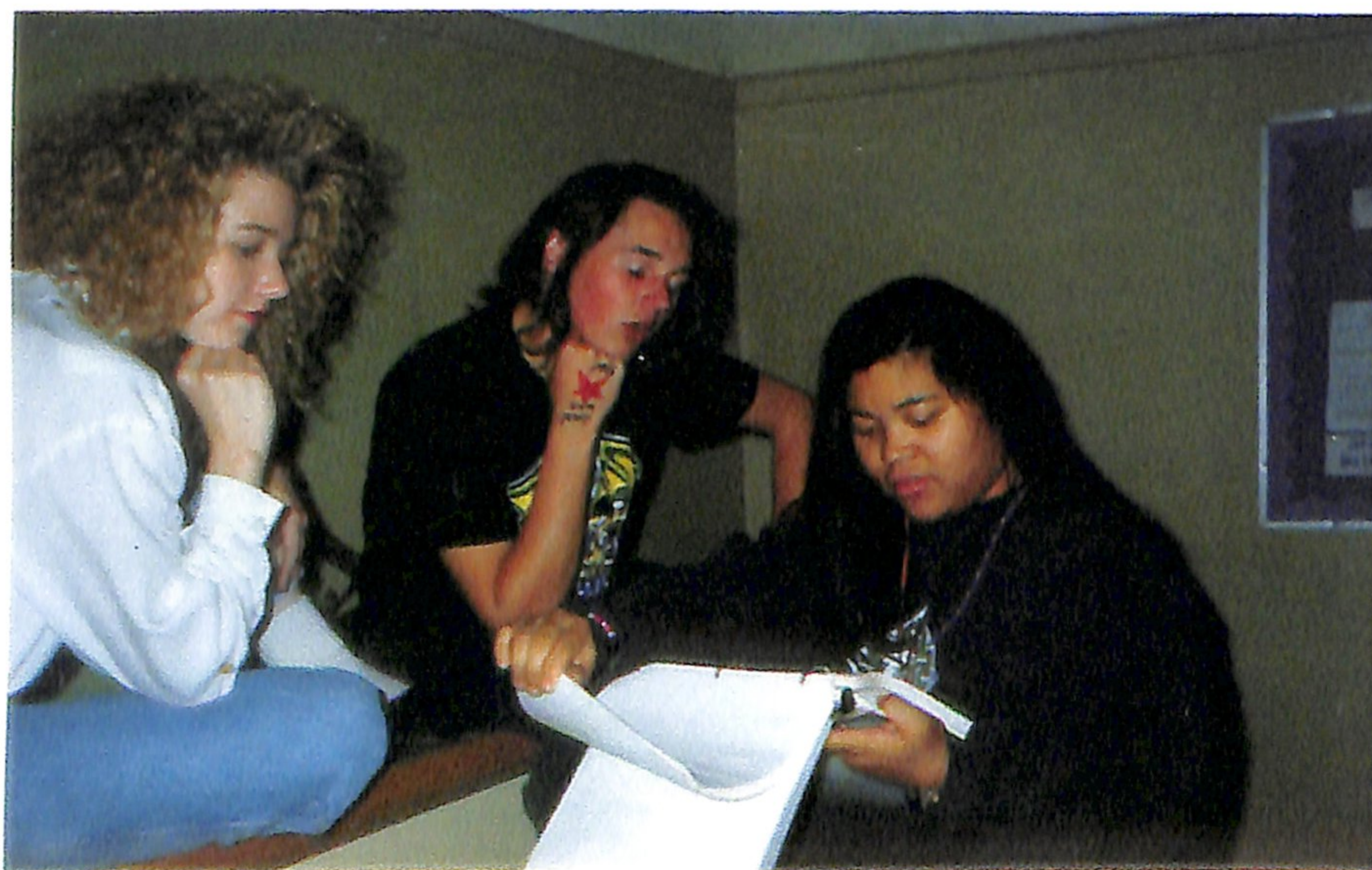


◆ Not only the student body supports the Drama Club, but faculty members as well. Mr. Jim Evans, Biology teacher, and his wife Sandra Evans, English teacher, bring their children with them for an evening at the theatre.



◆ Engulfed in her magazine, Sielena Choi stays in character in the middle of a scene. She said, "It's always a challenge to keep distractions out of my mind during a performance."

◆ Brenda Boggs and Daniel Ramey are helped out by Evangeline Monroy to remember their lines for the upcoming play. Many of the Drama Club members claim that teamwork is what put it all together.



◆ Taking some time to herself, Angie Schuder rehearses her lines before the November performance. She said, "It's real easy for me to remember my lines if I go over them immediately before the play."

Scenes From The Stage

The Drama Club is a club that brings students together, giving them a chance to express themselves on stage and work as a team. Stacey Beerman says, "I joined Drama Club because it gave me the opportunity to act and to associate with people who enjoy acting also."

Along with every good play there are also embarrassing moments. Patrick Vogelpohl can recall a time when he was at CADA Camp just finishing a scene and while walking off

stage, he tripped and fell flat on his face. Patrick wasn't the only one that had a bad experience when in front of an audience. Amy Arnold says, "I was walking off stage and the flats fell down behind me." Alissa Jones can remember a time when the audience was quiet and she was backstage. It was very dark and she tripped over a radio cord and it slid across the room.

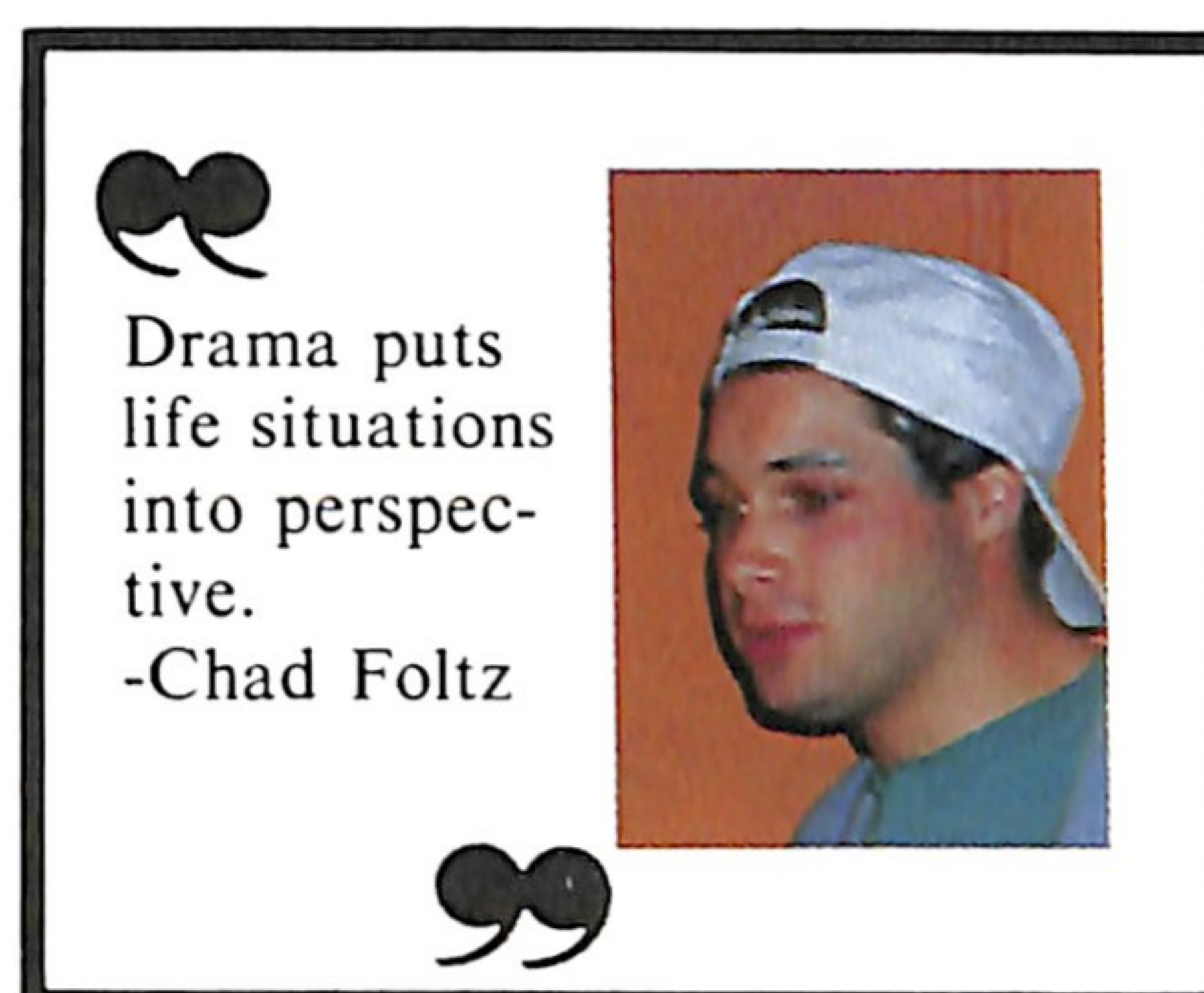
Some students carry their talent out of school and choose to model or perform for other agencies. Shannon Ledbetter's

most memorable moment was when she auditioned for a Sprite commercial. Chad Foltz models for fun, and does it professional-

ly too. He has done runway work for Aramis and Gingiss and likes to do it a lot.

Surprisingly, not all of the students in the club would like to go on to become an actor or actress. Angie Shuder says, "I've always been interested in acting but I'm just doing it through high school."

The Drama Club advisor, Mrs. Laura Abel, loves to work with these students. She said, "There is so much enthusiasm in the nucleus of this group that they share with each other."



♦ Working on stage flats, Kevin O'Gaffney and Shawn Martin hammer away to get ready for the upcoming play. Kevin stated, "It's hard work, but someone's got to do it!"

♦ Running through lines, Daniel Ramey asked for Amy Arnold's help. Daniel played a crazy doctor and his lines were easy to remember with all of the help he received.



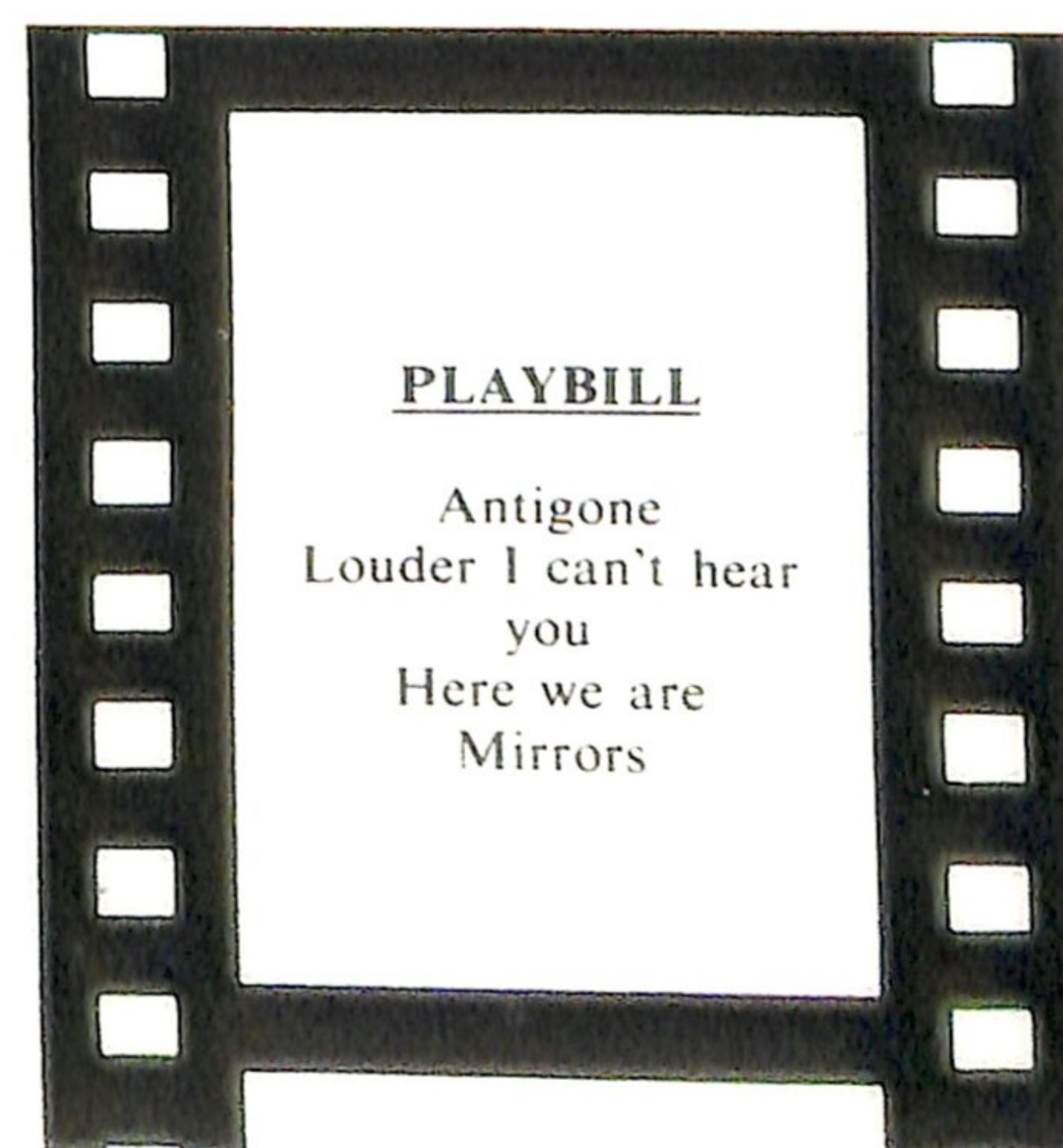
♦ Quiet on the set! Mrs. Laura Abel told Amy Arnold and Patrick Vogelpohl to keep quiet while parents, teachers, and students arrived to watch the performance. Patrick claimed, "It has its ups and downs but I enjoy acting."

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Who influenced your decision to start acting?

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"Dustin Hoffman and Meryl Streep because they're great actors and they're very versatile,"—Daniel Ramey.





◆ Members Tony Blair, Nikkie Ford, and Ayanna Burris picked out a big Christmas tree for part of the Cherish The Family project. "It felt really good to help this family," said Tony. "We were all just disappointed that we could only do this for one family."

◆ New advisor, Mrs. Conway, talked to the members about the state conference that was in April. "The state conference gave the students a unique chance to meet new people and learn new things," said Mrs. Conway. "They also got a lot of new ideas which we will put into use in the coming years."



◆ Preserving African-American culture was an important part of BSU's mission. Nikkie Ford, Dean of Knowledge, read an article from Smithsonian magazine on African artifacts during a meeting's 'cultural moments.'

◆ The Officers- Kim Thurman, Assistant Secretary, Nikkie Ford, Dean of Knowledge, Tahirah Muhammad, Activities Director, Kim Echols, Vice President, Carise Martin, Terrea Williams, Secretary, Carmen Harris, Treasurer, Tony Blair, Committee Chair, Vikki Ellison, President.

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○ What is the role of a Black Student Union member on campus?

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○ "The role of a B.S.U member is to help educate everyone of the rich African-American culture."
○ -Tahirah Muhammad-



Ujima - Collective Work

B.S.U. has a long history as a club concerned with cultural and community consciousness. The club continued their efforts along these lines this year under the guidance of their new advisor, Mrs. W. Conway. They emphasized self-awareness, as well as community awareness in their rapidly growing club.

B.S.U. has been known for its' annual talent show and bake sale. The club is also recognized for many other things it does as well. For Halloween, they created Halloween Grams. Students would purchase them and send them to friends. For Christmas, they played Santa Claus and sponsored a needy family. As a result, they

provided a steaming hot turkey dinner along with a tree surrounded by the B.S.U. elves, and the dinner provided by Mrs. Claus

"We hope that the B.S.U. will be able to become a strong educational organization, not only to the black population, but for everyone on campus." -Vikki Ellison



and her helpers from the club.

B.S.U. also created awareness of the contributions that African-Americans have given to the world. At every meeting a student presented a "cultural moment", which describes the life and impact of an important African-American member of society. Advisor, Mrs. Conway said, "The B.S.U. provides students an opportunity to learn about the background of an important culture in society."

The focus for the year was self-awareness. "By self-awareness, the B.S.U. meant knowing who you are, and also knowing what it is that you want to accomplish," explained Vice-President Kim

Echols. "Awareness is also knowing about your culture, and its impact on other cultures and impacts even when the general population knows very little about it."

"Last year the B.S.U. advertised and got a positive response from the students. Because of this, the already thriving B.S.U. club grew larger than ever before this year," commented Mrs. Conway. The B.S.U. does indeed seem to keep growing and growing, but why not? The more the merrier; with nine officers and sixty-three dedicated members the B.S.U. was able to accomplish great things.



▲ "Of course, they are delicious," said Jenea Dews with a smile, "I baked them." All B.S.U. members worked hard to bake and sell at the 1991 bake sale. "It was a big success, we made a lot of money for the club," said Jenea.

◆ In the kitchen, Nikki Ford baked cupcakes for the bakesale. "Fundraisers make it easier for the club," said Nikkie, "It lets members not have to spend so much of their own money to participate in activities."



▲ Dave Tucker, Rico Vernado, Saeuntel Covington, Kevin Martin, Alexis Lorthridge, Brenda Washington, Erika Rand, Tia Green, Nikkie Ford, Xavier Pittman, Troy Duncan, Ayanna Burris, Nicole Chatman, Lezli Freeman, Serena Hill, Rhasan Armstrong, Terrea Williams, Toni Blair, Joan Thomas, Kim Echols, LaVanda Bernard, Cochelle Goss, Jenea Dews, Carmen Harris, Gerald Davis, Faith McGraw, Michelle Cashwell, Kenny Martin.

Taking A Step Up

Dedication, perseverance, and hard work are what help to make a strong R.O.T.C. student.

First year R.O.T.C. students are taught how to properly present themselves in public with lessons in dining and social etiquette. The students are also introduced to basic marching skills.

Second year students face more frequent marching which emphasizes the need to improve. At the same time they are introduced to navigation and meteorology. For one practical meteorology assignment, an R.O.T.C.



"R.O.T.C. prepares you for reality",
-N. Ford.



student monitors the weather for an entire month.

The two major studies are leadership and astronomy, with the areas of rocketry and astronautics stressed for third year

students.

The final year finishes up leadership. There is also a course in innovative drill, which is a unique and complicated type of marching. The subject that dominates the year is a focus on the Vietnam War, consisting of in-depth discussions and views on the war.

Major Kardach believes that the Aerospace Program instills the basic value and with dedication can last a lifetime. Major Kardach described the transformation his students go through from Aerospace I to Aerospace IV. Major Kardach has been

teaching for sixteen years. Sgt. Wanner, who has been teaching aerospace for five years said, "By the time aerospace students leave, they learn about self-discipline and leadership to prepare them for any obstacles that are met upon graduation." CMSGT Harker has been teaching at Armijo for 16 years. He believes that students have a better understanding of management theories and their applications in the real world after participating in the R.O.T.C. program. This kind of understanding makes the years of perseverance worthwhile.

♦ R. Harris, A. Lyons, D. Wright, K. McNeil, J. Marshall, K. Nicholas, D. Eddington, M. Blanton, M. McLean, C. Livingston, K. Cruzz, C. Goldbronn, J. Neeley, J. Francisco, R. Anthony, M. Ng, T. Laurance, Sgt. Wanner, Not Pictured: A. Elturk, K. Rosenberg, R. Ayer, J. Vollmer, A. Walker, R. Ancheta, D. Fontes, J. Rogers, J. Steffen, C. Johnson.



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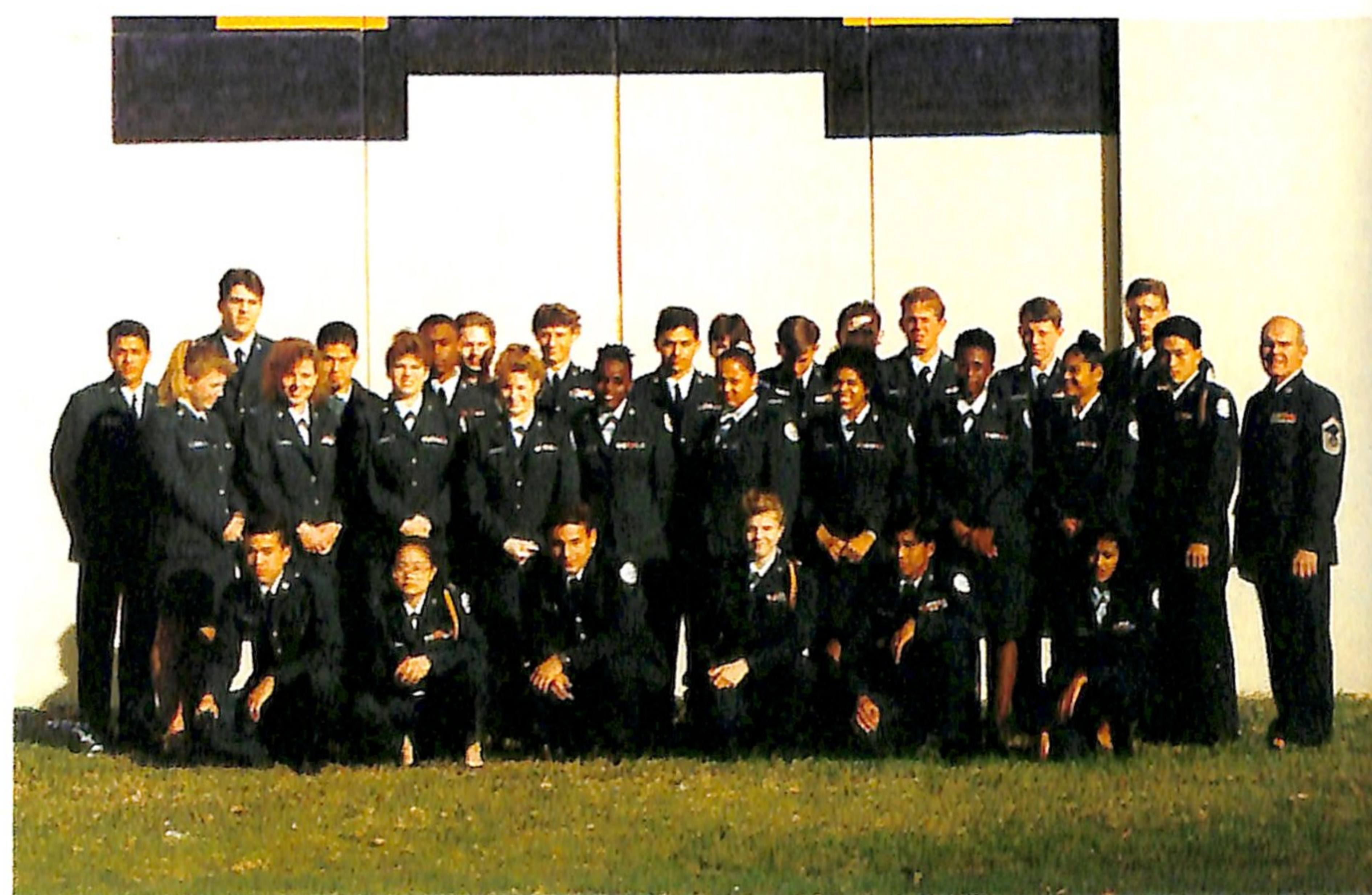
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What did you learn throughout your four years in R.O.T.C.?

"I learned the leadership it takes to get almost any job done",
-J. Steffen.

♦ AS III

E. Sanabria, M. Ryan, G. Harris, J. Hood, M. Nigro, I. Elturk, S. Valli, E. Stucker, R.O. Berg, M. O'Boyle, S. Baumgarten, C. MacDonald, M. Abbas, D. Herring, J. Stille, C. Ricketts, S. Jacks, S. Wiley, K. Henry, L. Crider, K. Cruz, P. Melo, CMSgt. Harker, B. Bellamy, K. Dionisio, K. Martins, B. Lyons, R. Ancheta, K. Kernellie.





◆ Aerospace II

Back row (l to r) D. Anderson, C. Macdonald, V. Williams, M. Casey, S. Blazer, M. Ruiz, A. Siefker, S. Staton, A. Jones, C. Miller. Second row (l to r) J. Askin, E. Smith, V. Castro, I. Santos, J. Cooks, J. Harrold, L. Grace, S. Hatter, C. Wright, D. Chambers, P. Melo, L. CMSGT, Harker. Bottom row (l to r) G. Limingan, R. Tence, A. Couture, M. Baumgatron, L. Chua, M. Murphy, A. Mixon, T. Planas, Y. Hon-eycutt, D. Jenkins.



◆ Aerospace I

Back row (l to r) A. Schlein, A. Morganfield, A. Byrd, J. Palacky, S. Soga, R. Fol. D. Sabeau, E. Conningham, R. Russell, E. Crosthwait, Sgt. T. Wanner. Second Row A. Mclean, K. Domingue, A. Powers, K. Wilkinson, S. Johnson, R. Bruner, J. Dunn, S. Wommack, D. Thoney, J. Cowham, T. Morris. Third row J. Ruff, J. Shaffer, G. Gutierrez, M. Nelson, D. Hunt, R. Bouley, M. Rey, C. Hirl, B. Fulerton, M. Felicand, M. Hatter.



◆ Aerospace I

Back row (l to r) J. Cox, R. Perrez, R. Raphael, J. Ruby, D. Sterns, A. Wilson, J. Fink, A. Harris, L. Harless, B. Leslie, M. Post, E. Luchetti, J. Russell, D. Conklin. Second row (l to r) E. Schutz, J. Wichhim, J. Stalberger, J. Hill, D. Jackson, V. Perrez, H. Ross, R. Lenzy, K. Murphy, T. Scarrot, J. Nickel, S. Ramsey, D. Perdue, F. Swansen, Sgt. Wanner. Bottom row (l to r) C. Ward, M. Lyons, D. Green, M. Kirck, J. Howard, J. Santos, R. Gittner, B. Vodnick, A. Delacruz, M. Salinas, J. Dumlao, M. Mezzapple, L. Mattice.

Color Guard: J. Fink, A. Harris, C. Goldbronn, C. Livingston, G. McLean, D. Jackson, J. Howard, M. Kirck, M. Luchetti, J. Dumlao, A. Powers, M. Felicano, B. Leslie, E. Cunningham, M. Salinas



Saber Team: R. Harris, M. Blanton, W. Schaffer, K. McNeil, M. Ng, K. Nicholas, R. Anthony Not pictured: C. Goldbronn, C. Johnson, G. McLean, J. Steffen.



Rocket Club: A. Wilson, B. Fullerton, W. Schaffer, M. Ng, R. Anthony, M. Hatter, R. Giltner

Drill Team: L. Harless, M. Hatter, M. Casey, A. Lyons, E. Luchetti, P. Melo, R. Lenzy, J. Neely, Y. Honeycutt, B. Lyons, K. Kernellu, S. Johnson, M. Felicano, A. McLean, K. Dionisio, B. Fullerton, B. Bellamy, M. Salinas, M. Lyons, R. Giltner, M. Murphey, B. Leslie, M. Hatter, R. Anthony

Officers: B. Bellamy, D. Herring, B. Lyons, G. McLean, Maj. Kardach, A. Lyons, K. Kernellu, C. Goldbronn, C. Livingston, M. Ng, R. Anthony, R. Harris, M. Blanton, W. Schaffer, K. McNeil, K. Nicholas





Stepping Out



R.O.T.C. had a lot more to offer than the basic introductory to flight, weather, and leadership. The program also included many clubs and other activities for the cadets to participate in. Among the clubs the program had were Drill Team, Sabre Team, Rocket Club, Model Club, and Color Guard.

The Drill Team was actually composed of two separate components; Standard and Innovative. The Standard group only practiced the regular marching techniques that all cadets in the program normally do. The Innovative

group practices more complicated techniques with moves such as the Starburst and Trident. The Drill Team practiced once a week to compete in an annual drill competition and to participate in the Dixon May Fair & the Vacaville Fair.

If you like sabres, the Sabre Team would have welcomed you. Eight officers made up the team, who worked on certain sword moves to present for important school occasions and for The Officers Club at Travis A.F.B. This group practiced seasonally and participated in the Football

Homecoming Rally, the Basketball Homecoming Rally, and the Aerospace Ball.

The Color Guard was the group always seen presenting the flags for all to see. The Guard practiced anywhere from one to four

times a week depending on the occasion. This year the Color Guard presented the flags for football games, the Aerospace Ball, the annual Spring Review, and for a drill competition. The Color Guard also had the honor of presenting our colors to the city on Veteran's Day.

The R.O.T.C. program allowed its cadets to learn different skills. They had fun at the same time with the help of it's activities, cadets, and most of all Maj. Kardach, Chief Harker, and Sgt. Wanner.

"Teaching R.O.T.C. has offered a variety of challenges." - Sgt. Wanner



◆ Thursdays are the days that the R.O.T.C. students marched campus with their uniforms. On certain Thursdays, they all stood at attention for the Flag Review, while the National Anthem played in the background on a nearby radio. After raising the flag the students marched in place; then they marched to the R.O.T.C. rooms in the front of the Annex, where their uniforms were inspected.

◆ The chief "officers", Chief Master Sergeant Gordon Harker, Major John Kardach, Master Sergeant Tim Wanner of R.O.T.C. take time out for a photo shoot. "To see the tremendous change in discipline gives me pleasure as I watch the students mature and grow over the years", Sgt. Wanner said. "The students leave R.O.T.C. with a new awareness about life."



◆ Every other Thursday those who chose to come, arrived early to school for the R.O.T.C. Flag Review. Cadet Bruce Laslie stood waiting for the National Anthem to begin so he could raise the colors. "Flag Review is okay, it's usually cold. They give us a choice of going or not. I went for extra credit", said Abebe Powers.

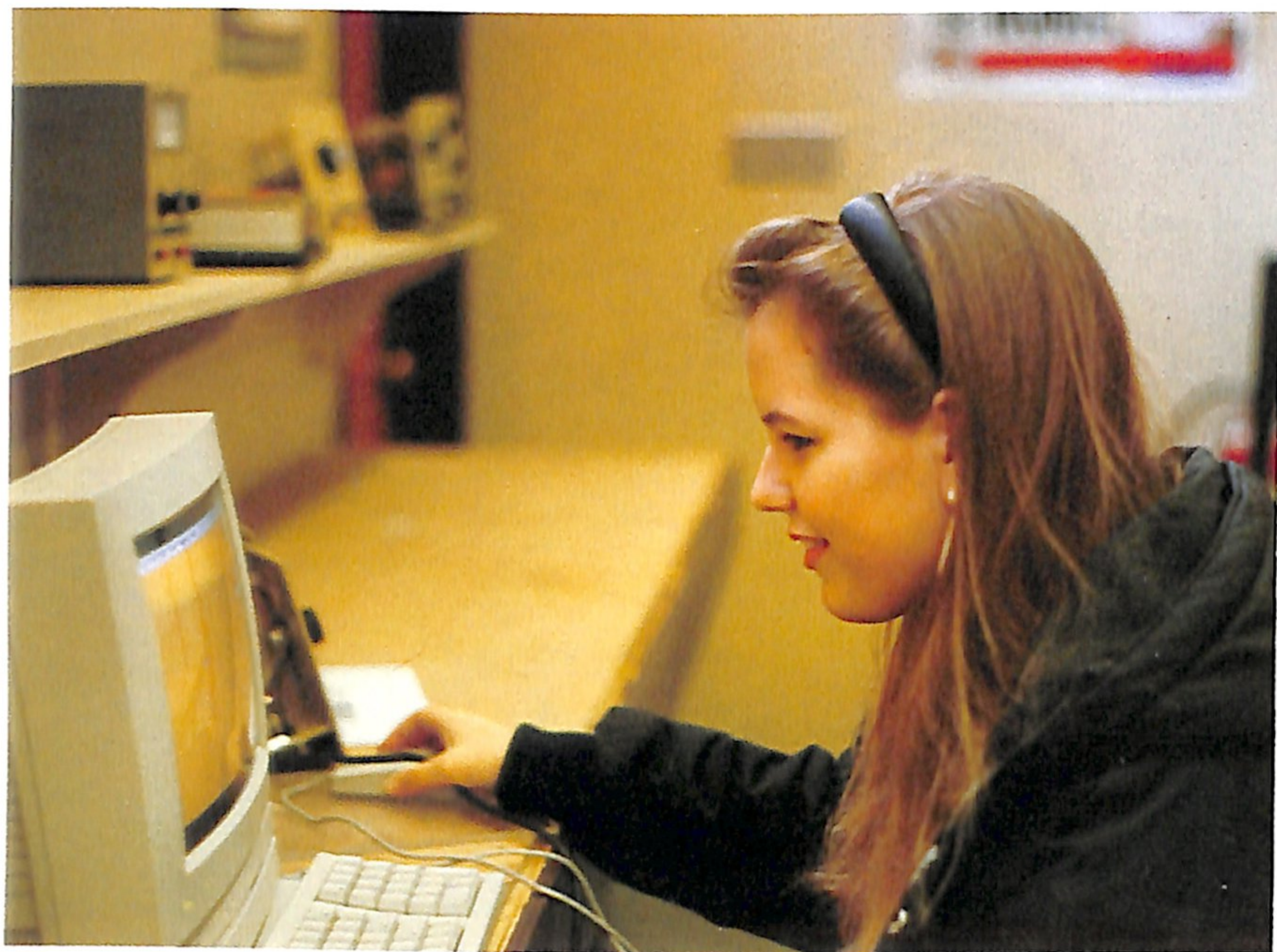


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Where do you feel that R.O.T.C. will take you in the future?

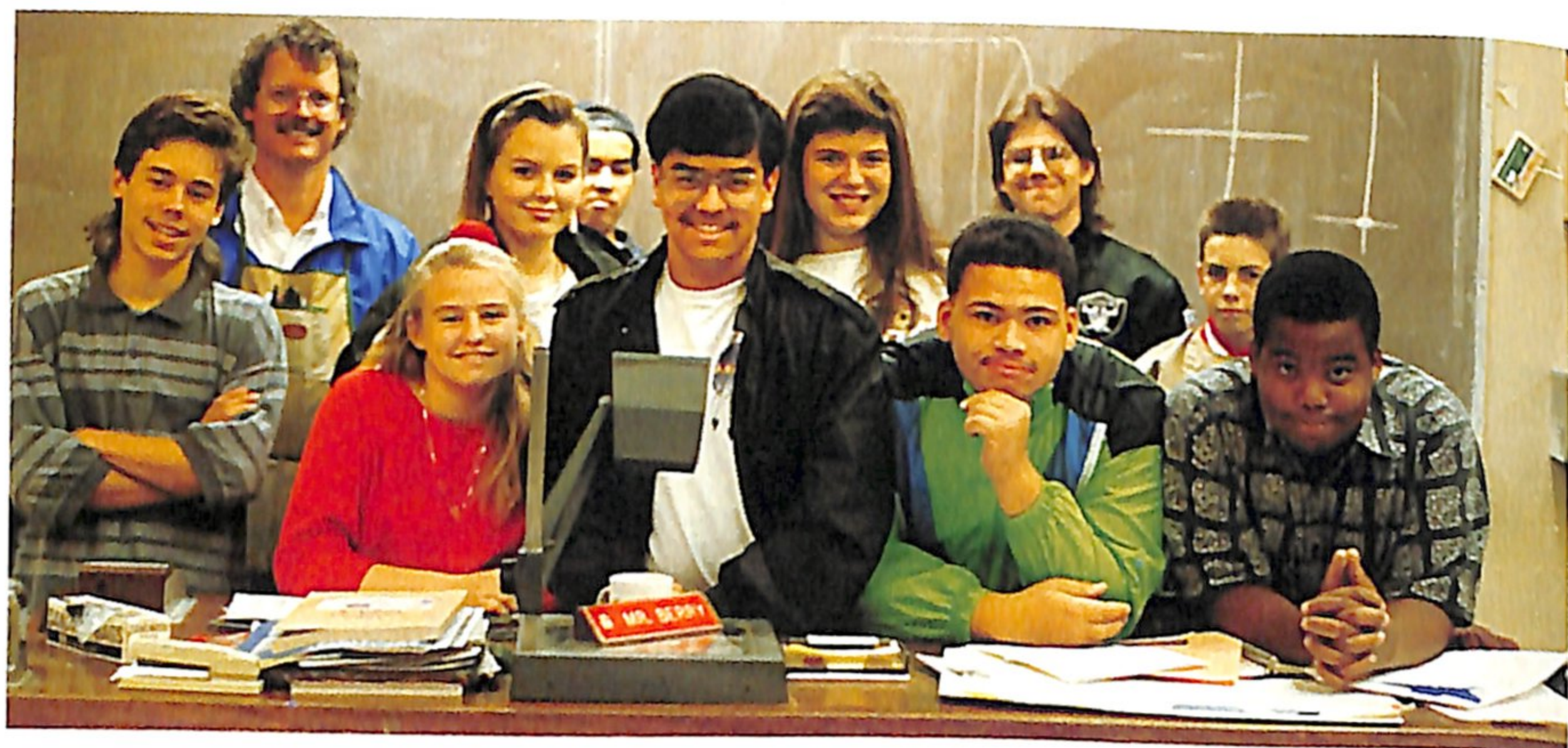
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I plan to go into the Air Force Academy and R.O.T.C. will help me for my future in the Air Force. - Brad Fullerton



♦ Staring at the computer, Rebecca Borem wondered, "How should I plan the minutes for the next meeting?" As the secretary of the club, it was her duty to prepare the agenda for VICA's activities, and using the computer to do so proved to be a valuable asset to the organization of the club.

♥ Front Row, Chris Price, Sarah Borem, Anthony Herana (VP), Roman Bass, Lewis Thomas (P). Back Row, L to R: Mr. Berry (Advisor), Rebecca Borem, Cesar Valenzuela, Jessica Reising, Mike Richardson, Tony Rozendowski. NOT PICTURED: Ms. Riley (Advisor), Thomas Rembert, Brandi Robinson



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How have you benefited from being a VICA member?

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"It has helped me feel good about myself knowing that we, as a club, help people. Also, I have made a bunch of new friends."

-Brandi Robinson

♦ "In the back, Roman," directed Cesar Valenzuela to the confused Roman Bass, as they installed audio speakers in Mr. Berry's car. They had volunteered for the pure enjoyment as well as doing a favor for their club advisor.



Serving The Community

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, VICA, was a national organization that offered programs of vocational/technical instruction, professional development, and instilling work ethics in a positive manner. Members learned through hands-on experience, such as community service, job skill training and skills in communication, teamwork, and leadership.

The main purpose of the club

was not only competing in electronics shows, but lending their services to the community. Also, it was to "spread the good words



Meeting people is part of being a VICA member.

-Anthony Herana.



about VICA," said club President Lewis Thomas. Each year, they committed themselves to one big project along with other activities such as donating food to Tolenas Elementary School for their Thanksgiving Turkey Trot. Furthermore, VICA members were responsible for the renovating of one of the classrooms on our campus last summer.

VICA was more than just a group of students learning a trade

but they were individuals, with motivation and pride, training to benefit others. Anthony Herana remarked, "Our main goal was to better our members about vocational interests and to increase VICA's reputation within the community."

Advisor Pat Berry said, "there were twelve members in the club and no requirements to join." VICA welcomed all without regard to gender.

Always Here To Care

What happens when parents divorce, your relationship ends, and the whole world seems to turn upside down? Who is there to turn to? Yes, there are those friends to talk to, but will they be there when things really go wrong?

If not, there are a group of students on campus who care enough to listen to anyone's problems. Peer Helpers offer their support

and advice to anyone who needs it. "The purpose of Peer Helpers is to show that people can be in-



It gives me a chance to know other students.

-T. Madarang



fluenced in a positive way," Billy Talley said. These caring students were there to give their encouragement while sorting out one's confusing concerns. These problems are kept confidential, which makes the student more comfortable to express their feelings.

Peer Helpers are people too, not miracle workers. They know that not all problems can be

solved and not all people want to be helped. So, why do people join Peer Helpers? "Peer helping is like training for my career goal as a counselor. I like to listen and help people with their problems," Lisa Palmer remarked.

Keeping in mind that Peer Helpers are there during troubled times, it makes life a little bit easier.



♦ Mrs. Mendoza, C. Bhullar, J. Sandhu, M. Austin, N. Pelich, T. Madarang, J. Adams, A. Weirich, S. Massola, A. Sawyer, M. Sapp, J. Blythe, B. Boggs, C. Jordan, J. Ona, B. Talley, A. O'Branovich, D. Green, L. Ellis, M. Magpusao.



I've experienced a lot by being a Peer Helper. It gave me a different view point of life and it's problems. It also made me realize how difficult life is for people.

-Mina Bautista



♦ Summer Conflict Manager Trainees at Glen Ellen B. Talley, L. Ellis, N. Pelich, J. Feins, M. Garver, T. Madarang, D. Green, P. Ellis-Lamkins, Mr. Summers, T. Tucker.

▲ Ladrake Ellis and other Peer Helper trainees are shown here leading a team building activity. These trainees accomplished many things at camp this summer, such as understanding and listening to others.

R.P.G. TERMS:

ADVENTURE: a story or plot through which the game master leads the player characters.

CAMPAIGN: an ongoing series of adventures.

CHARACTERISTICS: the mental and physical attributes of a character.

GAME MASTER: one who conducts a role-playing game.

HEX MAP: a table sized mat used to represent the setting of a scenario.

MINIATURE: a small figurine used to represent characters on a hex map.

NON-PLAYER CHARACTER: fictional characters played by a game master.

PLAYER CHARACTER: fictional character played by a role-player.

ROLE-PLAYING: the act of taking on the persona and playing the role of a fictional character.

◆ Dan Ramey and Russ Oberg challenge each other to a duel with boffo swords. "I shall strike ye down, yon filthy rascallion!" cries Dan.

◆ Wearing her traditional garb, Ms. Ash flips through a legend book at an S.C.A. meeting. When asked about how she felt about the club, she answered, "The R.P.G. club is a fantastic blend of history and fantasy. Students explore the Middle Ages and work to create worlds of their own."



Slice And Dice!

Hear ye! Hear ye! Come one, come all, and join the greatest party of adventurers ever assembled on the face of the realm!

The R.P.G. (role-playing game) club is one of the newest additions to the long and diverse list of clubs and organizations. Until early in the fall of this school year, The Adventurer's Guild was not an A.S.B. recognized club. "We've been getting together and gaming twice a

week for the longest time, but we never really applied for recognition," commented club president, Mark Walker. For the past few years, a small band of role-playing enthusiasts have been meeting in Ms. Ash's classroom during their lunch breaks, after school, or whenever they could get together for a gaming session.

Other than role-playing, The Adventurers' Guild activities included an annual trip to the Re-

naissance Pleasure Faire and taking part in the S.C.A. (Society for Creative Anachronisms).

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Creativity is the soul of role-playing.
-David Tan

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The club provides access to gaming materials and a place to play as well as a way to meet other gamers. Senior Jason Rogers remarked, "I've been playing role-playing games ever since I was about five and it was really hard to find anyone who was interested in role-playing. When I joined The Adventurers' Guild, it was great. I met all kinds of people to game with, and I became close friends with them."



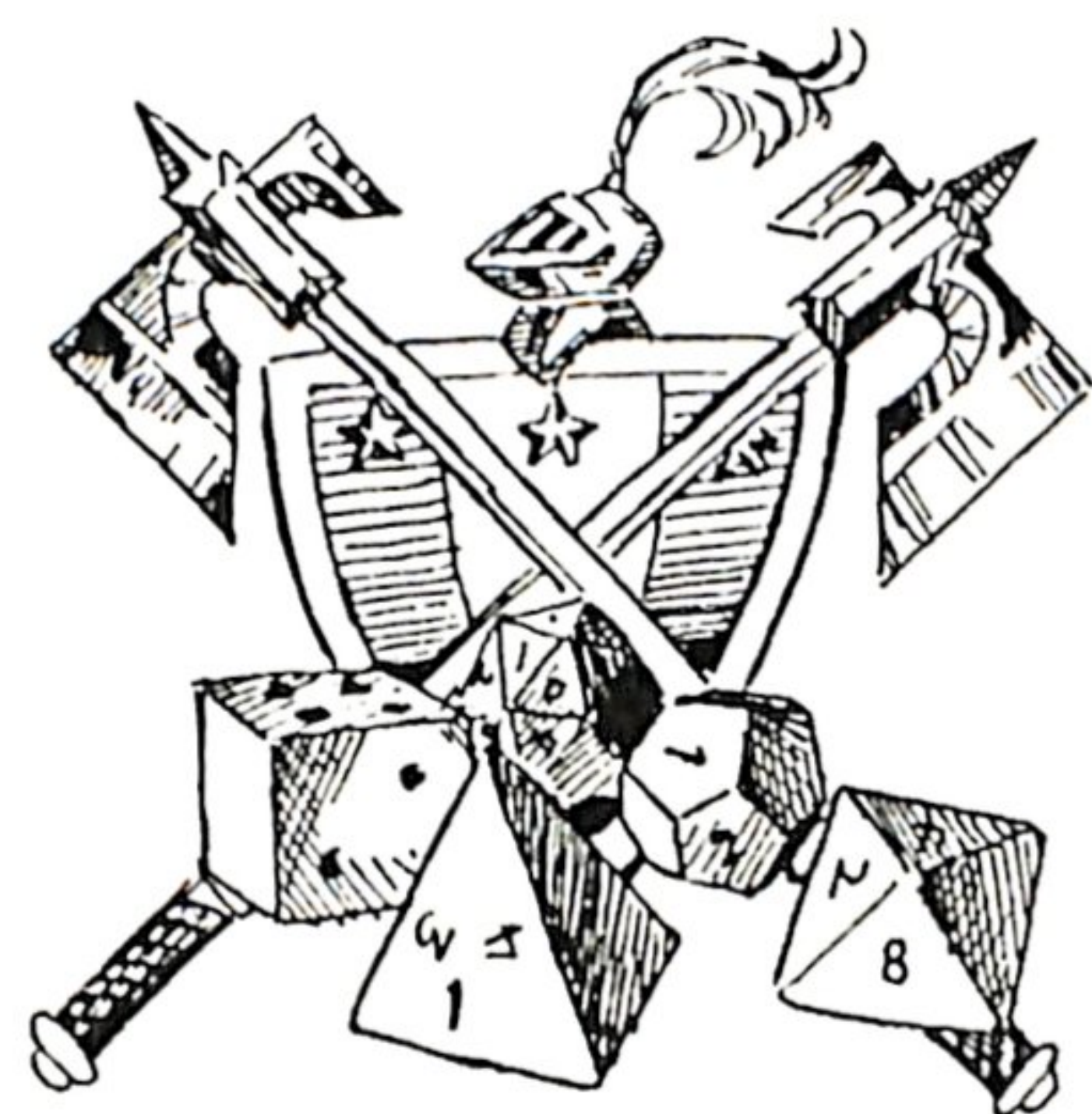
Q

What do you get out of role-playing?

A

"The enjoyment of being able to step out of my own personality and become someone else." -Jeremy Hemmingway

▼ "Back! Back, ye wretched wench! Back to the washing well where ye belong!" commanded Charles Boggs as he strikes high, but Dija Royer successfully blocks it with her shield.



▲ Top row: Mike Ihle, Mike Smith, Mark Walker, Brandi Johnson, Clarence (C.J.) Johnson, Jason Rogers, Fuzel Hafiz, Ms. Linda Ash. Bottom row: Jeremy Hemmingway, Charles Boggs, Dija Royer, Jessie Balidio. Not Pictured: David Tan, Anthony Herana, Daniel Ramey.



▲ "The menfolk aren't the only ones who can wield a sword. As ye have seen, I bested Sir Charles in combat," said Dija, commenting on her performance.

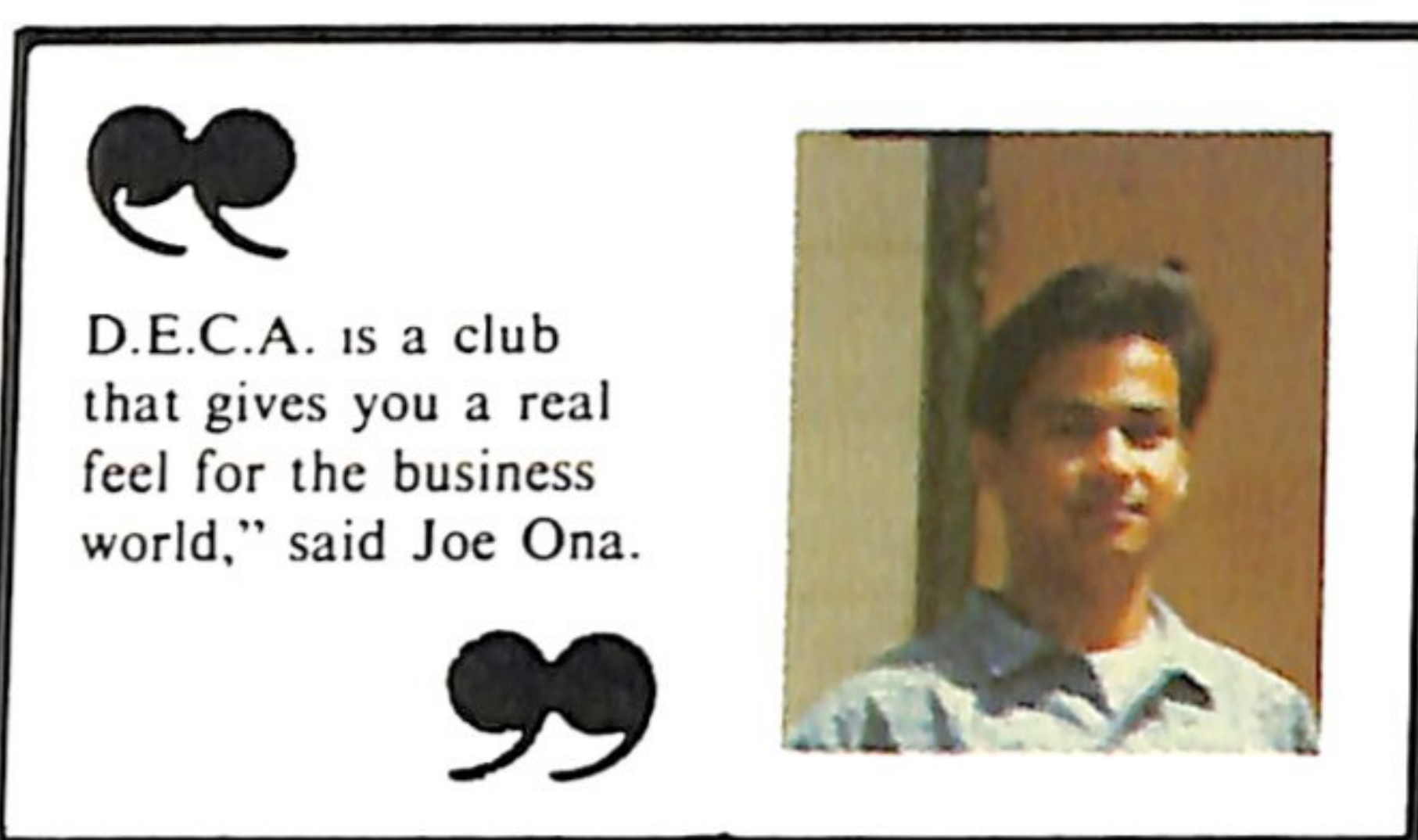
▲ "I shall be your champion, if you wish so, my lady," proclaims Fuzel Hafiz. Fuzel cuts a striking medieval figure in his battle dressed in buffo dress, with buffo sword and shield at his side.

Marketing Appeal

D.E.C.A. is just one of the many clubs known by its initials. When only the initials of a club are heard, very little about the club is actually understood. The letters D, E, C, and A tell very little about the Distributive Education Clubs of America.

Chastine Fish sums it up best by saying, "D.E.C.A. is an association of marketing students who go to competitions, business conferences, and exercise their mar-

keting knowledge through roleplays and written exams." Marketing is the art of making products more appealing. Little Caesars Pizza, for example, uses hu-



mor in the form of an ancient Greek man who is constantly shouting to everyone, "Pizza! Pizza!"

D.E.C.A. members learned about marketing in three main ways: roleplays, conferences, and through running the student store. Roleplaying is not theatre, but interaction for a student and a roleplayer given a simulated situation.

At conferences D.E.C.A. members meet marketing professionals and have competitions with other

D.E.C.A. chapters. Students implement the marketing experience gained at these conferences into the management of the student store.

Advisor Mr. Gutowski said, "In D.E.C.A., students learn skills in leadership." Everyone benefits by having leadership skills. Plus, students can have fun while learning.

Students from all different chapters of E.C.A. pledge to do their best as E.C.A. officers. It is a solemn moment, yet a happy one because of the responsibility they are gaining.

◆ D.E.C.A. members, Michelle Cashwell, Diane Eddington, Vikki Ellison, and Kim Echols are devoted officers. Ms. Ellison remarked, "It takes a lot of hard work to be in D.E.C.A. at times, but it is rewarding and I love every minute of it."



▲ D.E.C.A. members are: Victor Llugana, Lyn Park, Advisor Mr. Gutowski, Armando Martinez, Kyle Rosenburg, Fahm Saeteurn, Feuy Saelee, Dashunna Moore, Annie Earnshaw, Tahira Muhammad, Tamara Spinks, Mechele Magpusao, Ampie Supping, Joe Ona, Amy Gress, Kim Paler, Genis Stinchcomb, Stephanie Giannini, Vikki Ellison, Kim Echols, and Michelle Cashwell.

▲ Diane Eddington, Advisor Mr. Gutowski, and Kim Echols stop on their way to a D.E.C.A. awards ceremony. Kim Echols said, "It is wonderful when all of your hard work is given recognition."

▲ Dedicated D.E.C.A. members work hard at the student store to help students fill their growling stomachs at lunch time. They provide a service that is appreciated by everyone. Running the store is just one activity of D.E.C.A. members.



◆ Hungry D.E.C.A. members prepare to feast upon a buffet dinner after a long day of competitions. Michelle Cashwell said, "It's really nice to sit down with my friends but the thrill of competitions keeps me going almost all the time."

◆ D.E.C.A. has a long tradition of earning awards and special recognition. D.E.C.A. succeeds as a club, and it teaches its members to succeed and also realize their full potential.



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○ What were your reasons for joining D.E.C.A.?

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○ It gives me a chance to become a member of a club with members all over the country.
-Mechele Magpusao



◆ Students listen attentively to club advisor, Mr. Gutowski, during a D.E.C.A. meeting. Tahira Muhammed said, "While weekly meetings are not always exciting themselves, the thought of the excitement of the conferences I will attend provides excitement."

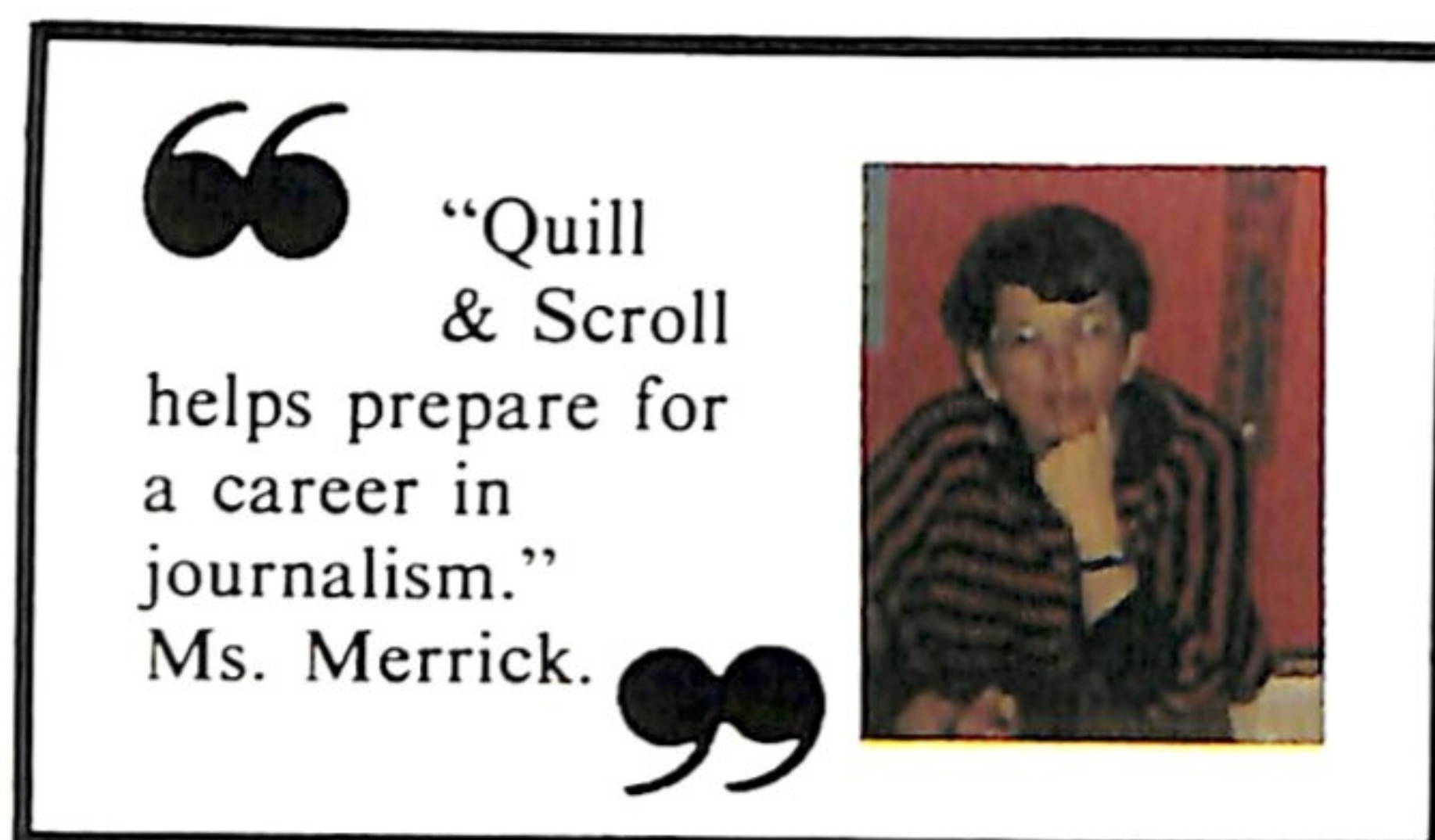
◆ Annie Earnshaw and Lana Manglallan are caught resting while away at a conference. The sleeping member on the right, Annie Earnshaw, said, "A full day of competitions is exhilarating as well as exhausting."



Power Of The Pen

Quill and Scroll, is a National Honor Society open to any junior or senior interested in journalism. It was at one time an extremely active club on campus. The club hit a dry spell though, and it was thrown into virtual non-existence. Determined future journalists recognized the fact that this club has its recognition and sincere efforts were made to bring the club back to life.

Club member Dave Barnett said, "I am glad that the Quill and Scroll club has been reen-



acted. It is a good way for the journalistic activities on campus to organize. The members spend a lot of time working, and the club makes all the work fun."

Quill & Scroll organized help for the victims of the Oakland fire. ASB, yearbook, and com-

munity members donated canned food, blankets, batteries, money, and other needed materials. Members organized this project in two days and took three truck loads and five car loads of needed materials to the Salvation Army of Oakland.

Another activity organized by the Quill & Scroll was the Aids Awareness Day. The activity included support from the students, faculty and the newspaper staff. May 20th the newspaper was released which included articles on Aids and ribbons for

the students to wear. "If we start by promoting safe sex here at school it could prevent the deaths of our own students," commented Quill and Scroll member Julie Howell. The day proved very informative for the students.

An additional benefit to being in the club is the scholarship money that is given to club members. The money is provided by the Quill & Scroll National Headquarters at University of Kansas.

◆ The Quill and Scroll club pulled together to support the fire victims of the Oakland disaster by collecting donations of blankets, clothing, and food. Keith McNeil helped to unload boxes to give to the Salvation Army. "It gave me a great feeling of accomplishment to help those who were in need," Keith said. Another helper was Becky Estrada. She said, "I was satisfied with all of the supplies we took to Oakland." There was a total of eight vehicles that went to the Oakland Salvation Army Warehouse just a few days after the disastrous firestorm.

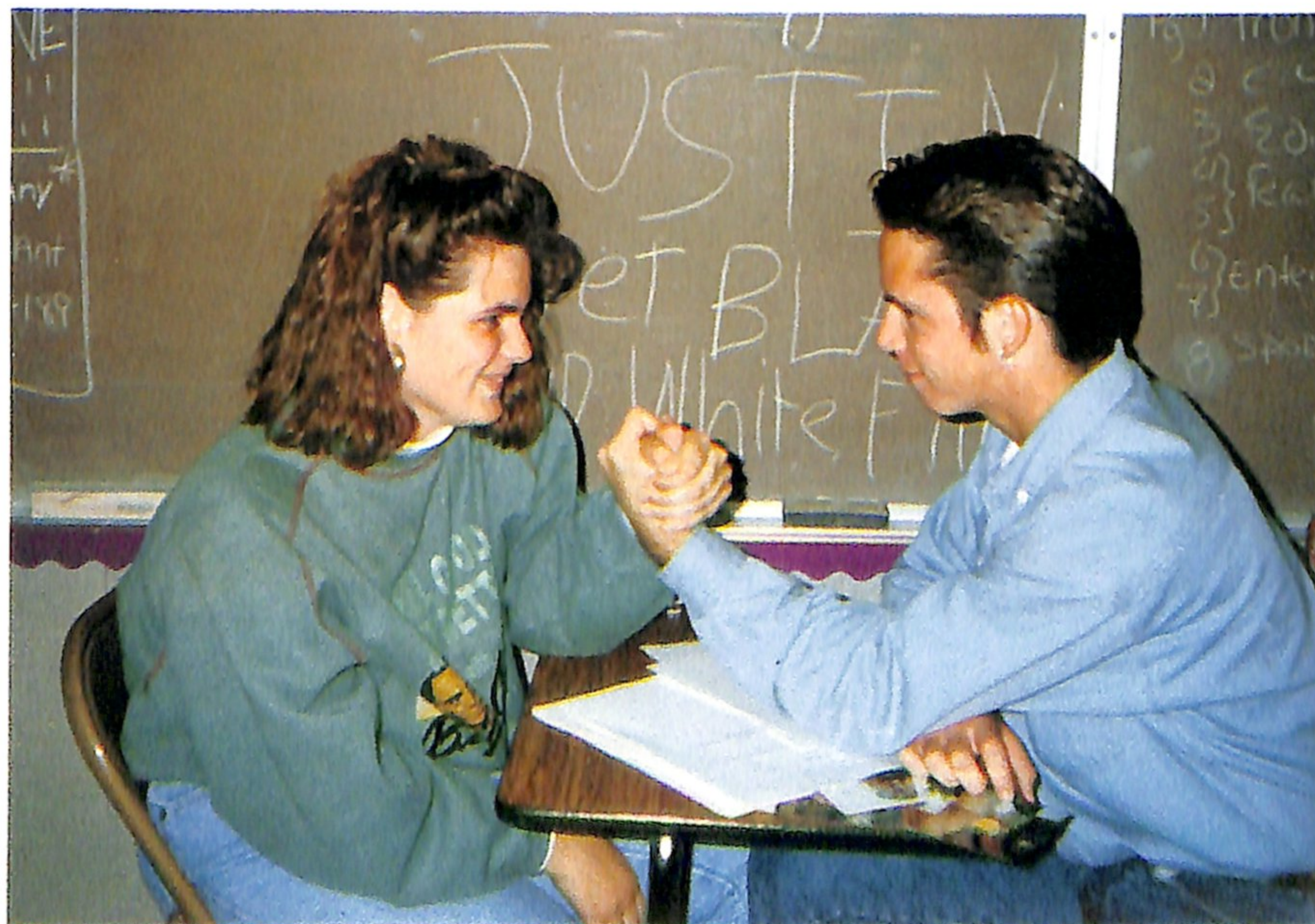


◆ Photojournalism is one of the most important roles in journalism. Joel Takeuchi and Aman Yoseph discuss how to solve a mechanical problem before going out on a photo shoot. "This is the first time that I had to publicize my job of taking pictures. All of this is an advantage for me because when I go back to Germany, it will be a little easier for me to get a job. The club itself is fun," said Aman.



◆ Putting together a good story is hard to do, but with the help of a Quill & Scroll member, brainstorming flows much easier. Skye Cassano is searching for endless ideas as Julie Howell listens to input from another member.

◆ Taking a break from story writing is necessary after the hard work that is put into it. Johnny Collins and Teresa Riehn compete in an arm wrestling event to decide whose story is better. "I write to entertain and be informative at the same time," commented Johnny.





◆ After drawing up his layout, Keith Caulfield proceeded to crop photos to fit on his page. Keith shared his thoughts about Quill & Scroll, "The club was a very rewarding experience for me. It gave me opportunities I could have never gained in the classroom."

◆ In order to be a top journalist it takes a lot of writing and typing. "The thing I like most about journalism is writing and the least is typing. Keys get stuck, the ribbon runs out and something can always go wrong. But when my hands start writing, they never stop," said Toni Dickens.



◆ Writing up interview notes was just one process Melanie Schoenborn learned as part of the Quill & Scroll club. "I appreciated being able to see real life journalism at work. This is an opportunity I wouldn't have had at my school in Australia," said Melanie.



◆ Quill & Scroll officers: Secretary Tiffany Martindale, Treasurer Melanie Schoenborn, President Christina Vidalis, and Vice-President Johnny Collins. "We're the journalists of the future and we're aiming straight for the top!" Christina said.

◆ Julie Howell and Guinever Sansano spent their time editing work to make it as high quality as possible. "I never thought you could spend so much time perfecting one piece of writing, but as I saw my work improve I didn't mind spending the extra time," commented Julie.

Say It Loud

“Ok, I have to look. No, no I can’t. What if I didn’t make the squad? All that hard work for nothing. Oh my gosh! LOOK! I made it! I was happy when I saw my name on the list. The practice was hard work but it was worth it,” said Natalie Joyce. To be scared to look at the final list of squad members was common to those who tried out. After the names were posted and the word was out, a feeling of relief was felt

by all of the new squad members. The cheerleading squad went to U.C. Santa Cruz for training at

Q : What is cheerleading to you?

A : “responsibility”
-Adella Shin

the U.S.A. cheerleading camp. The camp was from June 19-21. Varsity cheer and Pom pon Squad

were given a plaque for their superior effort throughout their time at camp. No one would ever be able to forget “The Hill!” “The worst thing was racing up that 90 degree monster for the first shower,” said Jenea Smith.

This year cheerleading was opened to every class. “I think that all girls in the school should be able to try out for cheerleading and freshmen should not be excluded,” said Joenell Pile.

The cheerleaders did not just cheer in the gym but on the field

and sometimes in the rain. “It was different, everyone was cold, tired and wet. It was worth it because the game became more exciting and no one gave up cheering for the players,” said DaShunna Moore. “This was the first time that I really felt that our squad was a family,” said Desiree Wilson. Nothing kept the dedicated spirit-leaders from cheering on the players, with the support of the fans.

N. Remedi, K. Brannon, D. Moore, D. Wilson, A. Weirich, S. Jergensen, W. Moore, B. Estrada, D. Boothe, L. Aguirre, K. Zandstra, L. Hall, J. White, N. Joyce, J. Lerner, C. Fish, K. Sogge, D. Dilbeck, K. Merrill, H. Ryan, J. Sossaman, A. Thomas, S. Landis, J. Gutierrez, J. Baird, K. Bell, A. Shin, B. Hodge, J. Smith, J. Smith, K. Bourcier, A. Skinner, J. Feins, A. Hirl, C. De Lapp, S. German, G. Sansano, S. Jacobson, C. Martin, A. Barrett, M. Sheppard. Not pictured: T. Spinks.



◆ Latoyia Lewis, Joenell Pile, Katie Dineen, Christina Flores, Alexis Scalice, Jenny Jergensen, Katie Inman, Carrie Batson. Not pictured: Kim Skinner. (coach)

◆ The squad gives a last shout before they leave for home. “Camp was very memorable, it was one of the most fun and exciting experiences of my life,” said Chastine Fish.





◆ The freshmen cheerleaders took time and effort to perform in front of the crowd. "To cheer in front of a crowd was hard at first but it got easier," said Katie Inman.

◆ For being all first year cheerleaders the J.V. squad performed with great motivation. "We worked hard this year to perform our best," said Julie White.



◆ Games got very intense during basketball season. "When I begin to feel on the edge, I just begin "Turn that score around" chant and everyone follows," said Maryland Sheppard.

◆ Mascot Jenny Feins devoted just as much time as the rest of the squad. "It's a lot easier when I have the support of the crowd," said Jenny.

The Creating Hands

Art is very hard to define. Some believe it to be associated with Michelangelo and Picasso, while others find the beauty of it linked to graffiti on walls. Whatever the case, art is a form of expression that comes from the inner self. The freedom to discover and interpret is the cornerstone for the Art Club.

To many young artists, drawing gives them a chance to really express themselves through something wonderful. Senior Paul Delarmente said, "Drawing is a way for me to really be alone with myself and my feelings."

Many of the students in the art club plan on going into a field that deals with the kind of

skills they possess. Junior Laura Sandburg plans to work for Walt Disney. She said, "It's always been my dream to animate for

Q

What was one of your most memorable experiences this, in Art Club?

A

The gallery walk, modern art where it's most focused: San Francisco.

-Jason Powers

Disney. It's great how they make the figures come to life. Someday I would like to be able to do the same thing." One of the fastest

growing career fields is computer animation.

Art Club President John Walker feels that there is a lot of creativity in the club and since the numbers of the group are small, they get more of a chance to go out and do different things. The activities that took place during the year included traveling to San Francisco to view a variety of galleries and setting up art shows for all of the school to participate in. Senior Jason Powers comments, "There were a great number of students, teachers, and parents that came to see the art shows. I feel it was a good experience for the artists to be able to display their work and get recognition for it. It really increases everyone's self esteem."

One of the Art Club's rare opportunities, Jesus Balidio gets to draw a live model during sixth period A.P. studio art class. "Being in the Art Club is a real learning experience. It gives me a chance to exhibit my work and get feedback from other artists, and a chance to be exposed to their work as well."



Pausing to take a rest, art club advisor Bill Sechler goes over the exhibits he had planned to evaluate next. "One of our main goals this year is to promote the visual and performing arts among our students. That was the main reason for going on the field trip to San Francisco."



Art is a form of expressing a creator's ideas. Skye V. Cassano expresses his ideas in many forms, such as painting, drawing, and three dimensional art, but is most renowned for his sculptures. "Clay is the medium I am most comfortable with because that is what I've been working with the longest."

◆ Art Club Advisor, Bill Sechler explains to Paul Delarmente and Larry McGhee an easier way to achieve the color they want. Paul said, "It was real frustrating at first but with a lot of practice I got better while I built my confidence." This was Paul's first year in the Art Club.



◆ Art Club members John Walker, Paul Delarmente, Skye Cassano, Gina de Leon, Jason Powers, Tremaine Tucker, Christina Vidalis, Jodi Lahmon, Nicole Van Vacas, Jesus Balidio, and Laura Sandbirg went on a field trip to the many art galleries in San Francisco.



◆ During one of the many stops along the gallery walk, the group paused to admire one of the local San Franciscan's paintings. "The picture itself was overwhelming. It was an ocean scene that had many hidden pictures. It took us about a half an hour to find them all," explained Junior Nicole Van Vacas.



◆ For many years, Senior John E. Walker has expanded what was once a hobby into what could be an extremely promising career. "In this cartoon, my character, the heroic Captain Zoom, is transformed into a hideous monster to play inside of a video game."



◆ A change of style, Laura Sandbirg pencils in a portrait of her father. "This picture is unlike most of my other drawings. I tend to draw Disney characters as well as some of my own. The Art Club allows me to be a part of our community's cultural events, such as the art show."



Flipping Out

Strength, poise, and courage are a few of the many qualities one needs to be a gymnast. Every week the Gymnastics Club practiced to improve their skills by mastering new and harder routines.

Unfortunately, the group weren't able to exercise their talent in competition. Coach Leiferman explained, "We used to compete, but now the only league left is in the Sacramento area and we're too far away." Since they didn't compete against other teams, they primarily trained for their own self-esteem and pride. However, they wished they could ex-

press their talents publicly. "I think that if we did compete, we'd have more of an incentive to learn new tricks and to discipline our body more," said Jeannette

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Why did you become a gymnast?

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"Gymnastics is a challenge. Life isn't that great without challenges." - Heather Cullop, Freshman

Guerra.

Through special school funding the Gymnastics Club received a

new exercise mat. "It gives the students more motivation when they have a new mat to work with," said Coach Leiferman. "The equipment was definitely needed. We could easily trip on worn spots doing aggressive layouts on the old floor mat," added Amy Walker.

This was the third consecutive year that the club has had both male and female members. When asked how he felt about participating in a female dominated club, Chao Vang replies, "It's not really uncomfortable being one of the only guys because I get along with all of the members and I'm able to show my equal ability."

Senior Chao Vang gets plenty of air time as he performs a stunning "back hand-spring". This is a difficult floor routine on the mat. Chao is one of only two males in the Gymnastics Club this year and easily proves his exceptional talents as an athlete.



Senior Amy Walker vaults through the air into a difficult somersault. Amy has practiced gymnastics for ten years and has been a part of the Gymnastics Club all of her four years at Armijo. She participates for exercise and conditioning.

S. Harless, A. Walker, J. Guerra, A. Tapia, M. Richard, A. Cefaratti, C. Vang, C. Batson, E. Milton, N. Alvarez, H. Anderson, N. Jorgensen, H. Cullop. Not pictured: D. Wilson, C. DeLapp, E. Evans, B. Hodge, T. Morris, Coach Leiferman.



Sophomore Sunshine Harless displays strength, balance, and style in a strenuous hand stand on the balance beam. "The beam is my favorite piece of equipment because it takes a lot of concentration," says Harless.

Time Clock Tips

▼ Amy Canova takes a break from a hard days work at the Barney & Russum Animal Clinic. "I want to go to U.C. Davis to become a veterinarian. I can't think of any better job to have right now. Thanks to my work experience class, I have the job I want," commented Amy.



"It's all in a hard days work", as the saying goes. Not only can work itself be stressful, but how about working and going to school at the same time? Senior Andrea Beaver said, "I don't mind working and going to school. But if I didn't have work experience, it wouldn't be possible. Work experience allows me to get out of school early so that I can get my homework done and then go to work."

Work experience, taught by Ms. Jean Bernard, allows students to leave school either one hour or two hours earlier than regular scheduled students. Even though

that sounds like tons of fun, it's not always the way it sounds. These students don't just "kick

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How does your present job fit in with your future goals?

A

I work at Crystal School and I want to be a teacher. -Fahm Saetern

back" and get off early. They actually work harder than other students. Work experience students

must either work 90 hours per semester for 5 credits or 180 hours for 10 credits. Plus, these students must show up to a class once a week and keep up with their other classes.

Work experience teaches these students important information about the work world. Learning about their rights as employees, how to find a good job, and how to file taxes are only some of the lessons learned. These students really know how to get to work, both on the job and in school. "Having work experience class improves your work ethics," commented Julie Howell.



◆ Maintaining one of the wood stoves at B & K Spas is only one of the many jobs that Tim Lawrence performs. He also gets "on the job" training at installing the wood stoves himself. "Not only do I get great experience, I also have the time to get homework done," said Tim.

◆ Taking money from customers is the easiest part of the job. The hard part is washing the cars at Seven Flags Car Wash. Scott Catania said, "I really enjoy working at Seven Flags. It doesn't interfere with school because the hours are so flexible."



▲ When many people were asked about the Amateur Radio Club, they thought it had something to do with music but to their surprise ... it did not. It's talking to friends over the radio. Jason Holt is calling his mom from a radio meeting.

D. You Read Me

"Breaker! Breaker! This is Moondoggie, come on through, ya hear? Over!" No this is not dialogue from some trucker movie, it was the sound of a regular meeting at the Amateur Radio Club.

Amateur Radio is defined as radio broadcasting over a wide range of frequencies that is not used for commercial gain. Ragchewing, talking to friends either locally, nationally or overseas, is one past-time of the Amateur Radio operator. Another more serious responsibility that comes with owning the novice license, necessary to operate an amateur radio,

is being prepared to offer your services in the time of natural disaster.

Being involved in the club can

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What is your radio name and how did you get it?

A

"WDGBQX. It was issued by the F.D.C. and it has to be licensed by the General." -Mr. Aronsen

open doors to commercial radio opportunities, but Mr. Aronsen, Club advisor, stressed that this was on the engineering side only,

not the broadcasting/DJ side as it is often wrongly defined. Part of this preparation came from building their own equipment. "Mr. Aronsen brought in some short wave radios and we set them up. Then the fun and work began," said club president, Jason Holt.

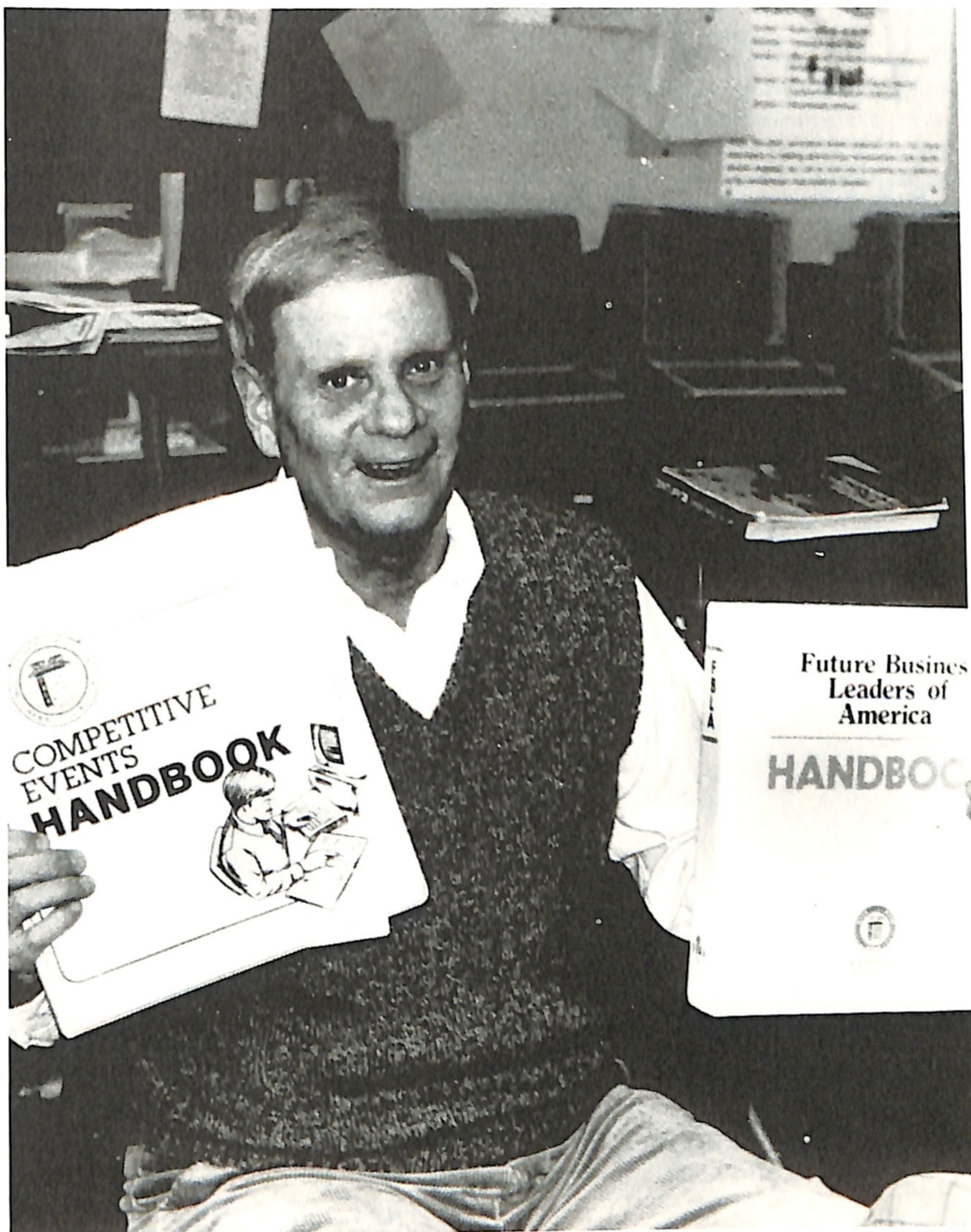
The club had fundraisers to enable them to buy equipment which stays at school permanently. They continued to ragchew, ready to use their skills if there was ever a serious need for a well-trained amateur radio operator. Talking over the radio involves more than fancy lingo and funny code names.



▲ Club advisor, Art Aronsen, demonstrates the proper way to operate a short wave frequency radio. "It seems confusing, with all those buttons and dials, but it really is a rather easy, yet unique hobby," said Mr. Aronsen.

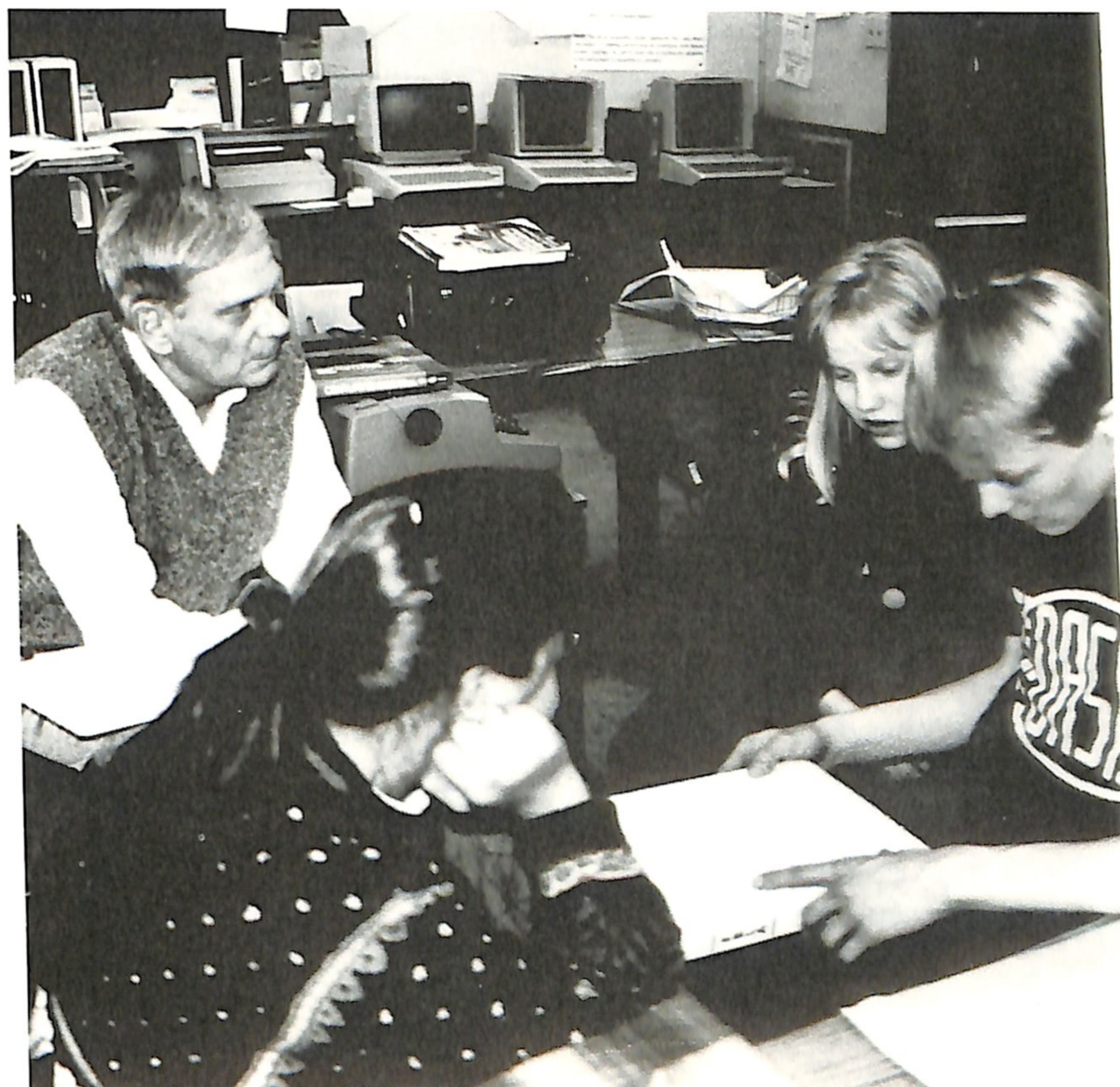
◆ Amateur Radio Club introduced a different hobby to the students. It is a new club with a lot of potential and a promising future. The club has given students a chance to expand their horizons and learn a new trend. Joining the club can also introduce a useful trade to ambitious students.





◆ Mr. Don Kreuger, the advisor of Future Business Leaders of America, is very proud of his club and thinks this generation has a promising future as leaders. Kreuger said, "We have done a great deal this year in business law and I feel the students learned a lot!"

◆ Cristin Socco, Jason Fox, Mary Page and advisor Don Kreuger discussing accounting at a weekly meeting. Kreuger said, "We attended two leadership conferences this year, one with Northern California and one at Disneyland with all of California. This taught all of us about business law, keyboarding and accounting."



◆ The business leaders of today should not lose any sleep about the economic future of the world. Not with people like Pat Rogers involved in the business game.) "I'm very interested in business and am planning on having a career in the business field. Look at Donald Trump, he is a rich, powerful, business man! That's my dream."

Leaders Of Tomorrow

Several parents and adults are worried about the economic future of America. Little do they know, Rockefellers and Donald Trumps are being created within our very walls. The F.B.L.A. (Future Business Leaders of America) club was responsible for the economically conscious minds and business-like mannerisms around campus this year.

The optimistic club got an excellent start on the year with good attendance at meetings and a positive outlook. Unfortunately, early on they were introduced to a severe scheduling inconvenience with the split lunches. Club advisor Mr. Krueger recalled, "The schedule change in October was a

Q : How do you feel about the business world today?

A : I think very highly about it! When I go to college I will continue with business and join the Phi Beta Lama which is a continuation of Future Business Leaders of America.

- Jason Fox

huge inconvenience for the club. No one could attend the meetings and the club's future looked very bleak."

Enthusiasm was raised once again though, as sincere efforts were made to make the club fly. F.B.L.A. members set out to achieve their primary goals, which were, to learn how local businesses operate and to become aware of the demands, advantages and disadvantages of the business world. That is exactly why club president, Jason Fox, joined. "I wanted to learn how local businesses operate and find out what it takes in the business world. I'm glad that Armijo offers a club like this."

Dividing The Problem

A survey conducted by the Education Commission of the States showed that the majority of United States residents were unable to do simple mathematical calculations in everyday matters. The solution? Seek support from the Math Network.

The source and development of mathematical symbols isn't quite clear. But the Math Network can help free anyone from this thick cloud of confusion.

Ever been lost in a sea of algebraic equations, not knowing who to turn to? Well, Math Network is the place with help.

The Network, a tutoring service around since 1984, helped students from Math A to Trigonometry. It was a small group of helpful and hard

working students that came in before school and at lunch to encourage others.

Math Network gave the student tutors a chance to gain the responsibility of helping out their fellow students and friends. Joanne Bada was proud of herself because she was able to relieve a little of the stress on some, however she was also nervous. "I wanted to make sure I was turning them in the right direction." Joanne, along with Deanna Muehring, came in twice a week at lunch to provide their services.

This laborious team showed great cooperation for their first year working together. For the school year the advisor was Ms. Cathy Adams. All of the tutors came from her classes. They volunteered their time to show how much they appreciated all Ms. Adams had done for them. Even

though the student tutors gave up a lot to assist others, they thought Ms. Adams played the biggest

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Why was that first year as the Math Network Advisor memorable for you?

A

"I enjoyed being able to get to know my students that tutored for Math Network better. With the relaxed situation in which we worked in we were able to communicate more than in the classroom," Ms. Cathy Adams.

she helped us help them," said Deanna Muehring. Chris Campbell added, "Ms. Adams helped out a lot. She was really organized and gave up her lunch periods to help us and other students when we needed her."

The Network can also assist in the future of its pupils. Chris Campbell received a tutoring job that paid him \$10 an hour. "I've been tutoring for about five years. The Math Network was a good reference." Jason Fox also tutored outside of school for a college student and friend of his. "He just called when ever he needed my help," said Jason.

Find the way through the jungles of monomials and into the serene setting of happier times that the Math Network can provide for all who need that little extra push to better understanding the World of Mathematics.

◆ Mohammad Kharufeh was happy to accept much needed assistance from student tutor Jason Fox. "Sometimes it could be really confusing! I felt like tearing my hair out when I couldn't figure it out on my own, but Jason saved me. I owed him a lot," said Mohammad.

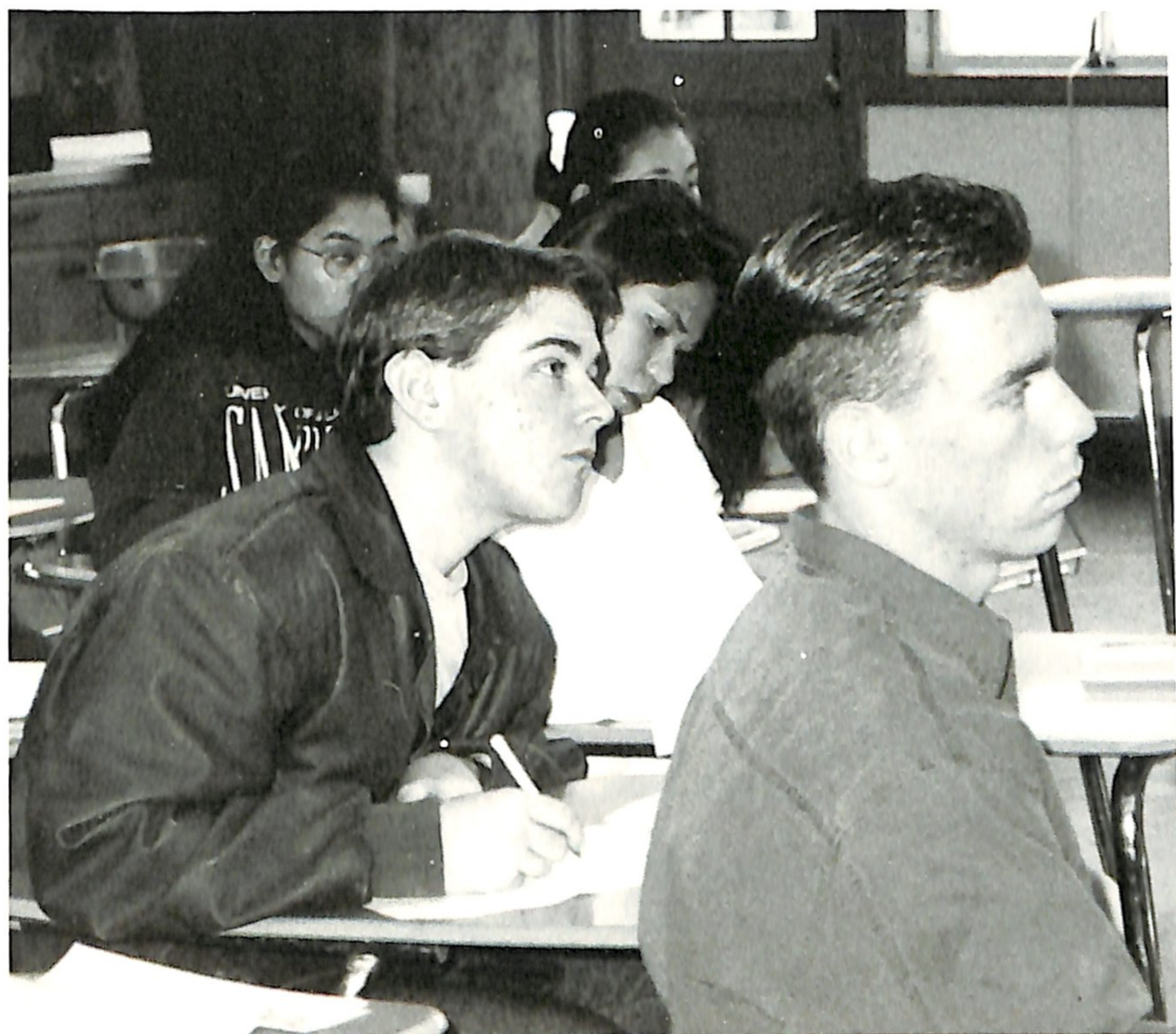
◆ The Math Network's tutoring service, Joanne Bada, Deanna Muehring, Advisor Ms. Cathy Adams, Jason Fox and Chris Campbell. Not pictured: Will Moore, Eric Kanemoto, Joe Ona and Joel Takeuchi. These are the people who helped students through hard times.



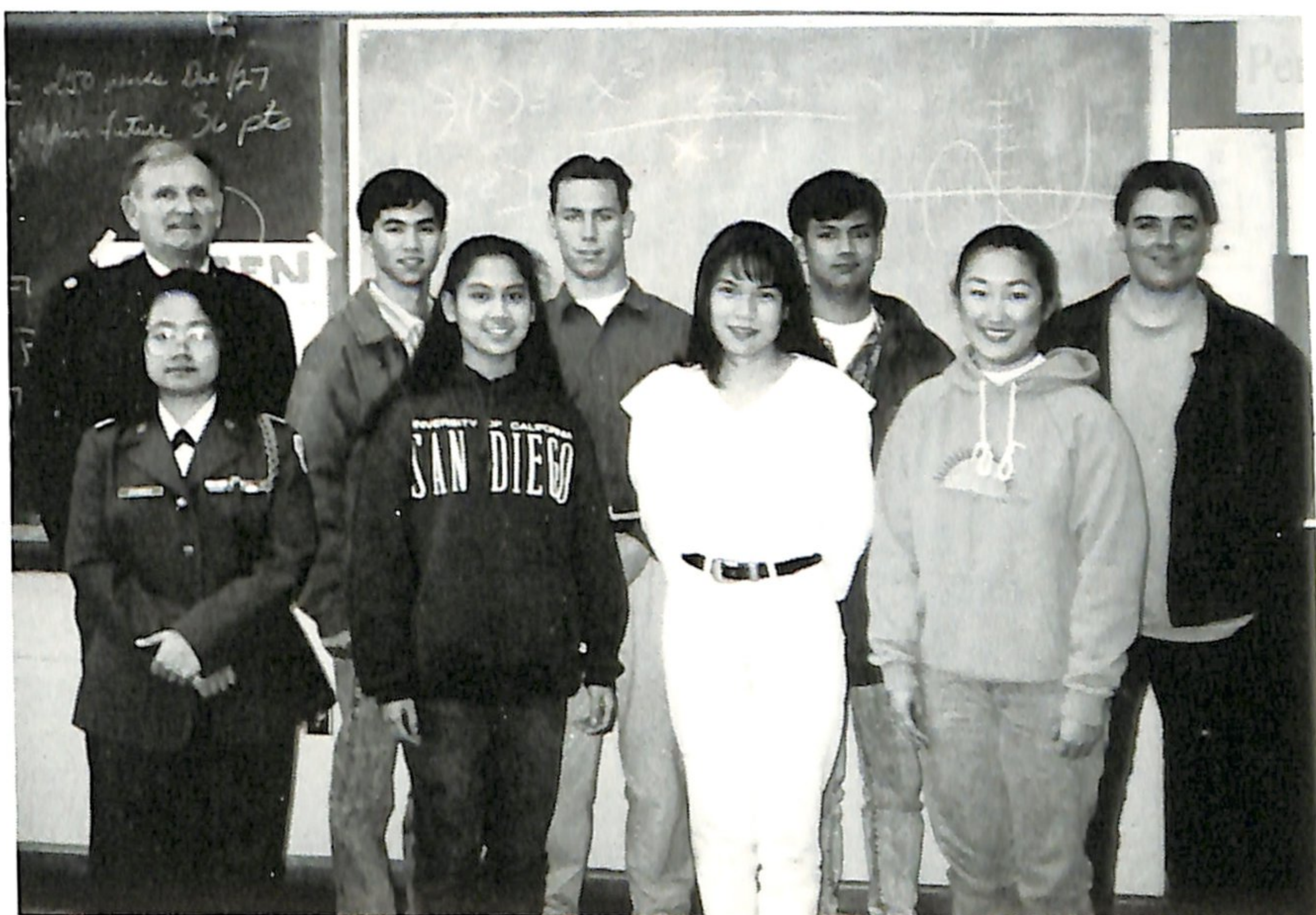
◆ Senior Eric Kanemoto took time out of his busy schedule to actually do his own homework, instead of helping others. "Priorities are important. Don't get me wrong, though, I loved tutoring and helping others, but when it came to school, I came first," said Eric.

◆ Joanne Barber, Rodney Moy, and Reed Gomes listened intently to their classmate speak on his selected issue. "When we listened to the other students speak, we were able to learn from their experiences and that helped us prepare for our time in front of the class," commented Reed.

◆ Academic Decathlon Advisor, Major Kardach looks on as the members listen to a guest speaker. "You could learn a lot from the people who came to speak to us. We tried to follow their example when it was our turn to speak in front of the class," said Joanne Barber.



◆ "The competitive nature of the Academic Decathlon offered me a chance to be all I could be," said Senior Rodney Moy. "I liked the Decathlon because it gave me some general knowledge so that I could be prepared for the next school year," said Junior Mieriena Choi. The Academic Decathlon team: Major John Kardach, Eric Kanemoto, Reed Gomes, Joe Ona, Rodney Moy, Kathleen Dionisio, Luane Reyes, Joanne Barber and Mieriena Choi.



◆ Each Decathlon member must give a speech on their assigned topic. Joe Ona's topic was economics. Standing tall, he took the chalk in hand and began to explain the basics of economics.

Meeting Of The Minds

For all involved, Academic Decathlon provided a chance to meet new people and learn new things. Senior Reed Gomes agreed, "It was interesting to work with the most intellectual minds in school and to have pursued the highest level of my mental capabilities."

The Academic Decathlon consists of a group of eight students who competed academically in a variety of different subjects ranging from economics and fine arts to science and literature. There were a total of ten events.

When attending the Decathlon meetings, lasting anywhere from an hour to an hour and a half, Advisor Major John Kardach chose a member to speak on their assigned topic. Other such requirements for the Decathlon included having a junior or senior standing with one of the following

Grade Point Averages to qualify for; the Varsity level 0.00-2.99, the Scholastic level 3.0-3.74, and the Honor level 3.75-4.0.

Q : What have you accomplished by being a member of the Academic Decathlon?

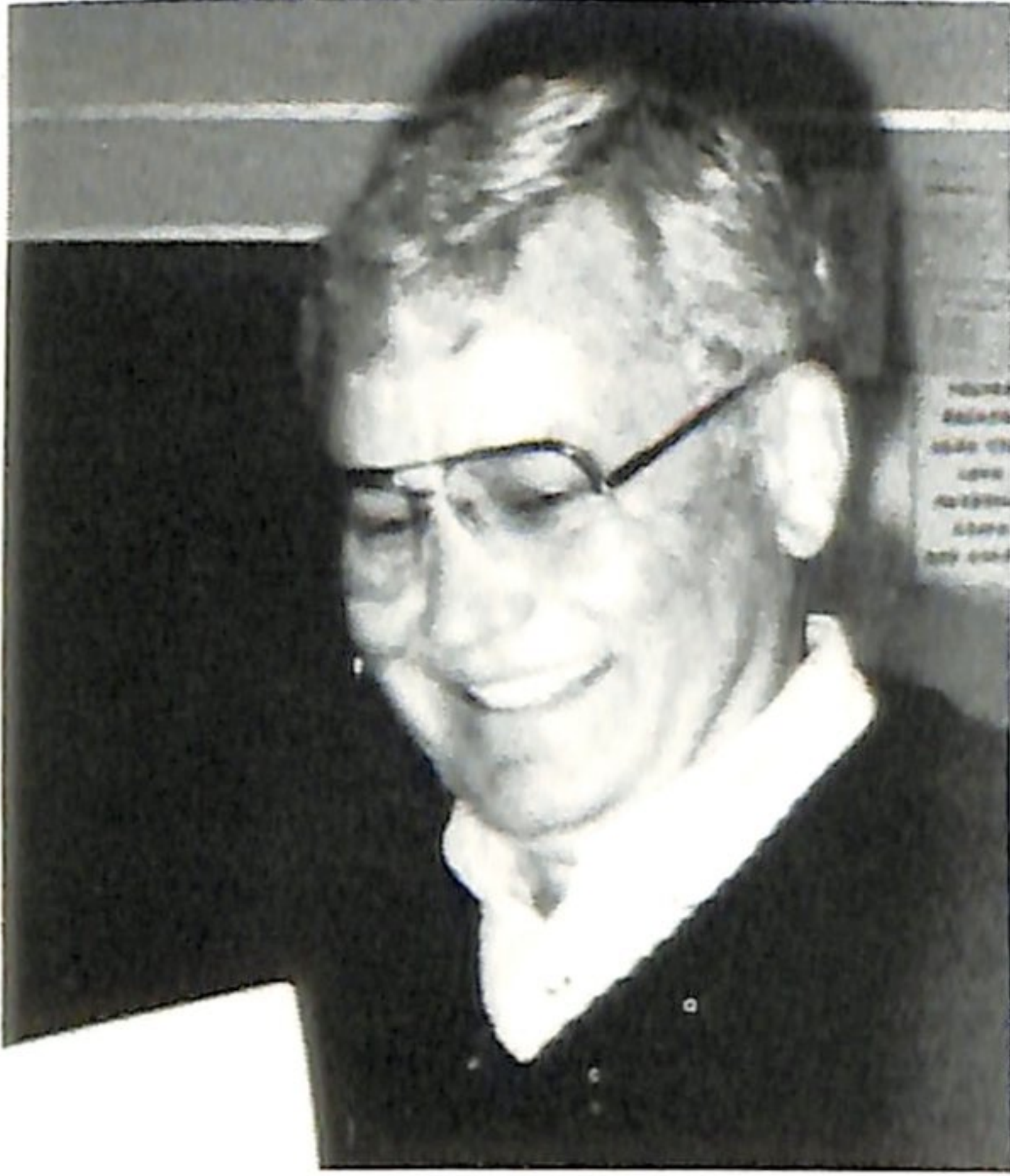
A : I feel it was a worthwhile experience and I will pursue it next year as a Senior. In the Academic Decathlon I learned about different subjects that I was never interested in before. We also got a chance to meet a whole bunch of new people. - Junior Kathleen Dionisio.

These meetings were designed to prepare the members for the County, State, and National Competitions that were before them. The County level competition was held at Solano Community College. All attending arrived at 8 a.m. sharp for the opening session. Following this, there was a series of tests including a speech, interview, and a Super Quiz as the finale. "The Super Quiz was the most exciting part!" exclaimed Joe Ona. "It's kind of like a Jeopardy between nine people, each from a different school," he added.

New friends and increased knowledge is what Decathlon members gained from their experiences. Eric Kanemoto enjoyed the Decathlon because, "it was something we wanted to do, not had to."

Toward The Future

◆ CSF advisor Mr. John Brown was a valuable asset to the club this past year. With his guidance and experience, the club was able to raise enough money to go on two college trips during the year.



◆ A Stanford student, who took the club on a guided tour, stopped in the main quad to teach the CSF members about the history of the University.

In CSF (California Scholarship Federation), the members met and discussed their future with respect to college education. Members raised money to go on college excursions during the year. One such trip was to Stanford University. Many of the members found the trip valuable and interesting. A student from Stanford gave the tour to the club. "The trip made college more realistic and it gave me an inside look as opposed to just reading books about college," said Michelle Davis.

Although not just anyone could get into the club, there was still an abundance of members. The number ranged into the seventies, but the meetings always ran smoothly.

When applying, a qualifying form needed to be filled out. "I think that the process that CSF uses now is fair, it's better than if they

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Have you met many people in CSF?

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In the past two years, I've made many new friends.- Luane Reyes.

place on college applications. For resume's students used CSF along with other clubs to get into college. Once you have been a member of CSF for four semesters, one of which has to be during your senior year, you then become a life member. "I feel that colleges will look more heavily upon CSF because it's an academic club," Kirsten Dick said.

Anthony Herana summed up his feelings about the club, "I believe that CSF has given me valuable information about colleges. By visiting various colleges and observing college life, I'm now able to clearly choose which colleges I'm interested in."

just used GPA's," said Melinda Muir.

Besides being a fun club to be in, it also was a positive extra to

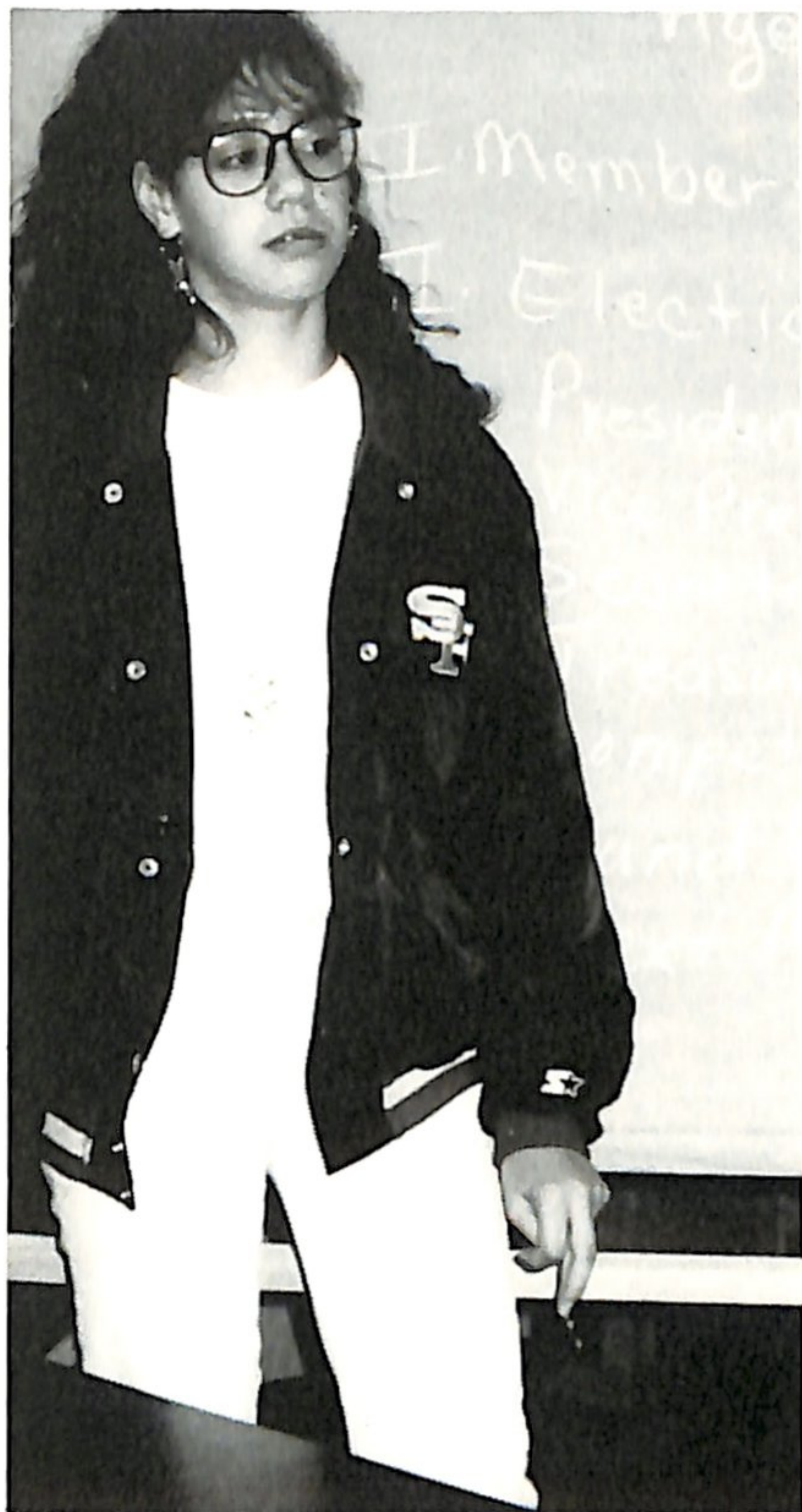


◆ CSF members pictured: M. Ihle, A. Herana, K. Dick, H. Reiter, W. Moore, B. Regan, E. Kanemoto, M. Davis, D. Clement, M. Jensen, J. Thompson, T. Martindale, K. Sanderson, N. Vanvacas, S. Choi, R. Barney, M. Choi, N. Pelich, J. Neely, E. Soriano, N. Quintanilla. Not pictured: C. Anderson, J. Barber, J. Briggs, A. Campbell, C. Campbell, S. Finley, C. Fish, J. Francisco, A. Gemmer, F. Hafiz, K. Kalamaras, M. Kim, D. Kromm, G. Ledford, M. Lew, D. Ly, M. Magpusao, K. Mcneil, D. Muehring, T. Muhammad, T. Raines, J. Ramirez, F. Saeteum, J. Abrew, S. Bakhtawar, B. Dadia, V. Dam, D. DeVera, M. Muir, A. Nguyen, N. Rai, L. Reyes, M. Rodriguez, F. Saelee, L. St. John, M. Bell, W. Birchall, D. Boyce, B. Briggs, M. Burke, A. Freer, R. Giles, J. Harrold, J. Heywood, B. Hodge, L. Kanemoto, A. Kessler, A. Ledford, B. Maryman, S. Massola, K. Mauldin, B. Metz, A. Mikolajcik, T. Phamle, C. Recknagel, A. Robertson, D. Smith, R. Snavelly, S. Steed, S. Segal, S. Thomas, X. Truong.



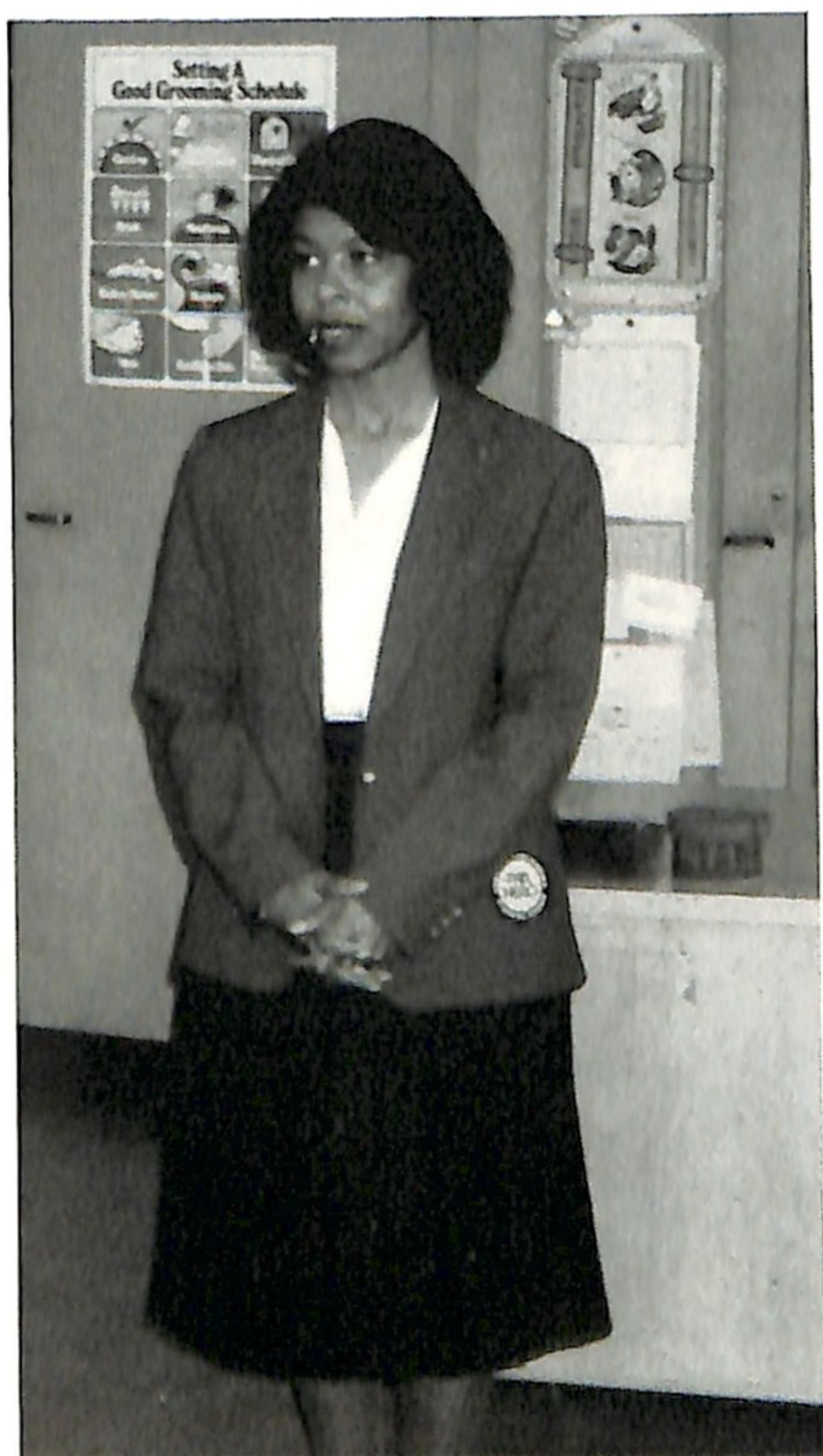
◆ Aimee Kessler spoke to a Stanford admissions officer during the club's trip in December. "He helped me a lot with my questions about Stanford's admission requirements," she said. Finding out the requirements for gaining admission was very important to the members of CSF.

♥ Jessica Wida, FHA President, conducts a club meeting. "Since I would like to be a nurse in the future, I feel being FHA President helped me develop leadership skills," she said. There were many things to be covered and she tried her best to accommodate the club.



♦ Mrs. Alice Claiborne leads the club in discussing their interior decorating project. "We were preparing ourselves for the upcoming recognition events," she said. One of the major contests at the competitive recognition events held during February was interior decoration.

♥ FHA members pictured: Gurinder Gill, Faith McGraw, Judith Robertson, Jessica Wida, Desiree Williams, Tamika Cooper, and Davia Hamm. Not pictured: Barbara Briggs, Rhonda Snavelly, Janea Jordon, and Carmen Harris.



◆ Explaining more about their upcoming pie sale, Mrs. Claiborne tells the club how to prepare the pies. The pie sale, held in November, was very successful. It was FHA's biggest fundraiser of the year. "They help the most fantastic club on campus by bringing in money for activities dealing with FHA," said Mrs. Stasi.

Starting a new club is never easy. Many people have tried and failed, but Mrs. Alice Claiborne and Mrs. Rita Stasi took a risk and decided to begin a new club, FHA, Future Homemakers of America. "I felt that the students were looking for something positive. They needed something that they really enjoyed doing, so we decided to start the FHA club," said Mrs. Claiborne.

During the month of November, the club conducted a pie sale. The pies were delivered a day or two before Thanksgiving vacation began. The pies were a big success with the staff and students. There was a choice of apple, sweet potato, or pumpkin pie. "It took a very long time to make all of the pies, but I felt that it was worthwhile for the school," said Gurinder Gill.

Any student at this school can be in the club, as long as they are or have been enrolled in a Home Economics class sometime during their high school career. Each student also has to pay dues in order to be an active member. "We

participate in a Competitive Recognition Event. Some of the competitions were salad preparation, sewing proficiency, and interior decoration. The entrants have to dress by a code or else they would lose points.

FHA is not just a cooking and sewing club, it prepares students who are planning on becoming professional chefs or interior decorators. Although starting a new club isn't always easy, FHA has come out on top.

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What hopes do you have for the future of FHA?

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"I hope that FHA will become a larger club," said Mrs. Stasi.

were so successful with our pie sale that we used the money we earned to pay our dues." Faith McGraw said.

In February, the club traveled to Solano Junior High School to

Did you know our school was built to accommodate 1500 and we have 2400 students? We are overcrowded! "The city should make Junior High 7th, 8th, and 9th and make High School 10th, 11th, and 12th grade," Sophomore Vince Mendez said. The school housed basically every nationality and diversity. The students ranged from seniors that were enthusiastic about leaving, to freshmen who wondered if they were going in the right direction. All around the campus possible future professional athletes, dancers, actors and actresses, rappers, artists, and any other type of person you think of could be seen. "I like different cultures because you get to learn more about them and it gives the school some spice," Senior Joanne Barber commented. Many others felt the same way. Freshman Justin Ruby also liked the diversity of students, he said, "We need to learn to get along with people a lot better." Junior Jodi White said, "You can just be yourself because no one will make fun of you or the things you do and the way you do them." Even with the overcrowding, the impression was that students mixed in a fashion worthy of the name "La Mezcla".



Reaching

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◆ The Band marched to fuel the school with energy for the night's homecoming game. Sabina Salas, Chris Cebula, and Paul Zutz are merely a small part of the "family" regarded as the band. According to Sabina, "We try to be a support group for our athletic teams and like it when everyone gets hyped about the famous 'rah rah' song."

Ahhh... The Life Of A Senior R

Wherever We End Up. We'll Never Forget Where We Started

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◆ Academically, the senior year is not one to be taken lightly. "It's a must to pay close attention in all your classes," said Tamisha Bronough, "no matter what year you are."



◆ Jenea Dews partook in an afternoon of puzzlement. "There were so many pictures to choose from, I couldn't decide which one expressed my personality best."

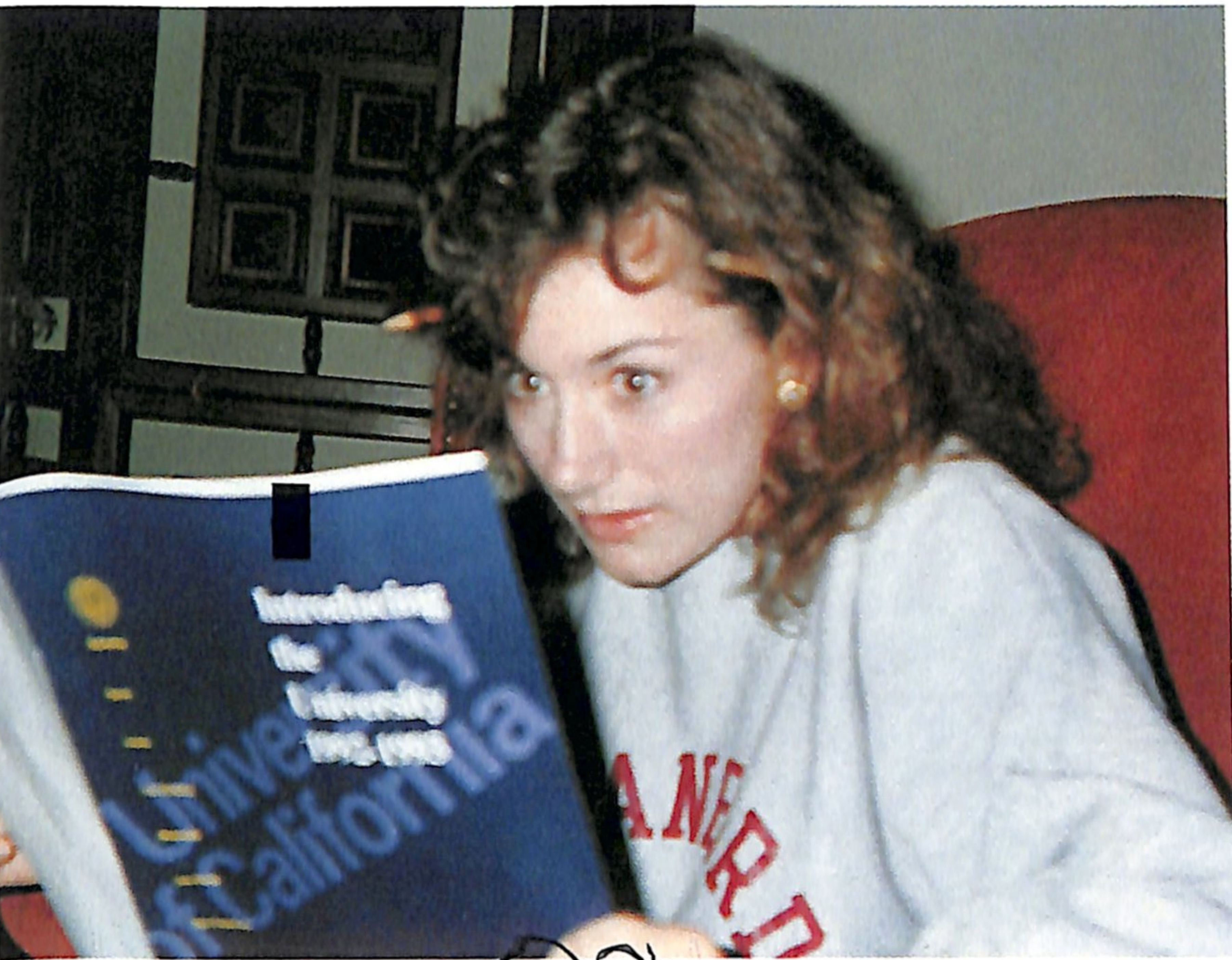


◆ Hardworking seniors made the float a booming success. Laura Hoehn felt sad when the float was completed, "I realized this was the last float I'd ever make with my high school friends."



◆ Relaxation is a much needed retreat in the stressful routine of a teenager. Ryan Gleason kicked back during his lunch period hoping to catch some rays and recuperate from a tough morning at school.

▼ Bewildered by the number of colleges she has to choose from, Courtney Anderson tries to narrow down the choices of schools to go to after graduation. "It's difficult to know where to begin," said Courtney.

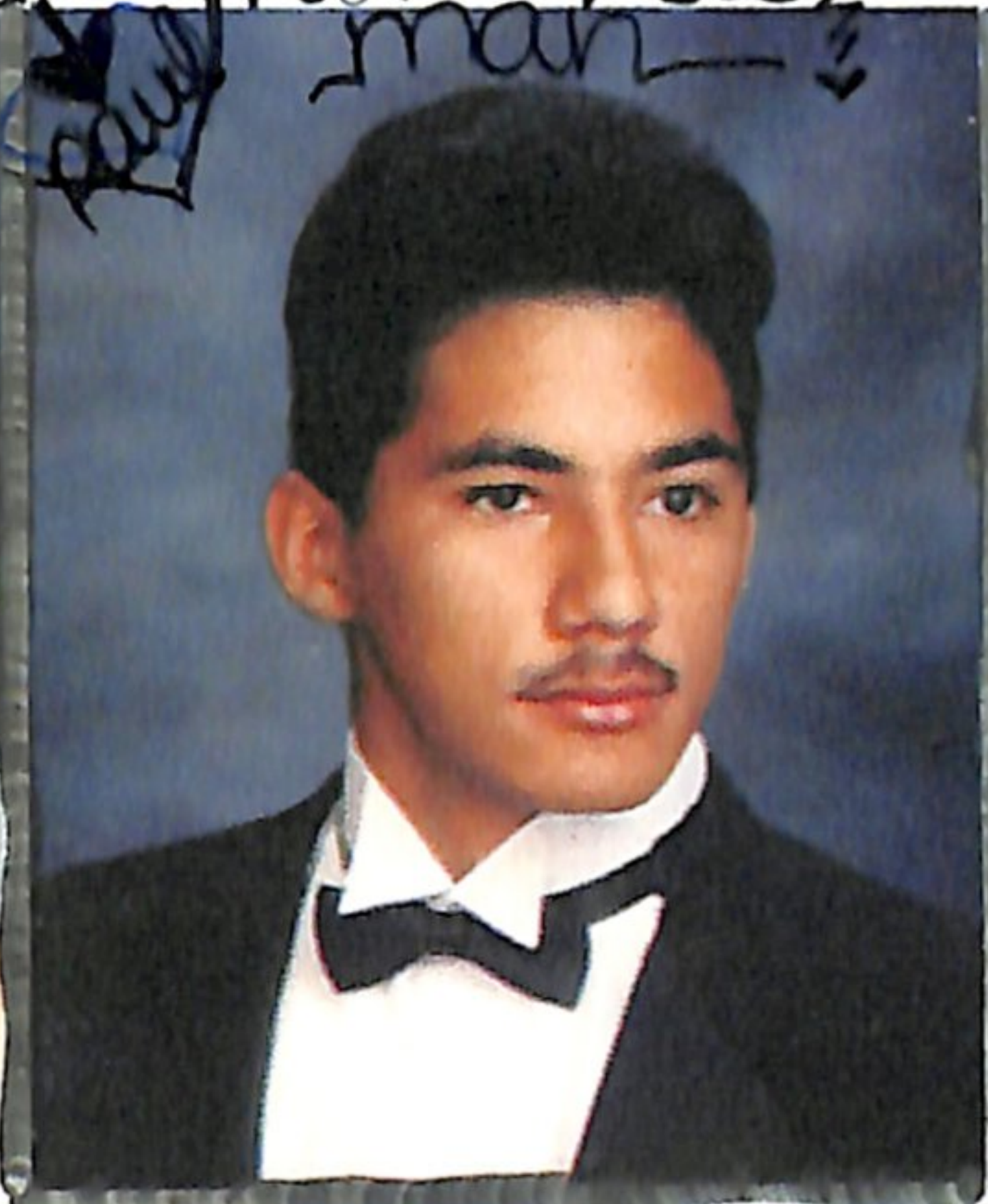


Aim High!

AAAH! Virtually every senior's day begins the same way. They wake up shaking and wondering why, five minutes before in a dream they were running down a dark, narrow hallway, dressed in a cap and gown, and were being chased by their parents, Mr. Petty (with diploma in hand) and several college representatives.

Although a vast majority of seniors are excited about the future, the stress and burdens that seniors experience was what caused this rapid eye movement. Although the vast majority is scared to death about the future. "I'm pretty scared," admitted Eric Sanabria. "There are a lot of worlds out there and I'm about to enter the real one. I'm scared, but I'm excited at the same time. It's a strange feeling."

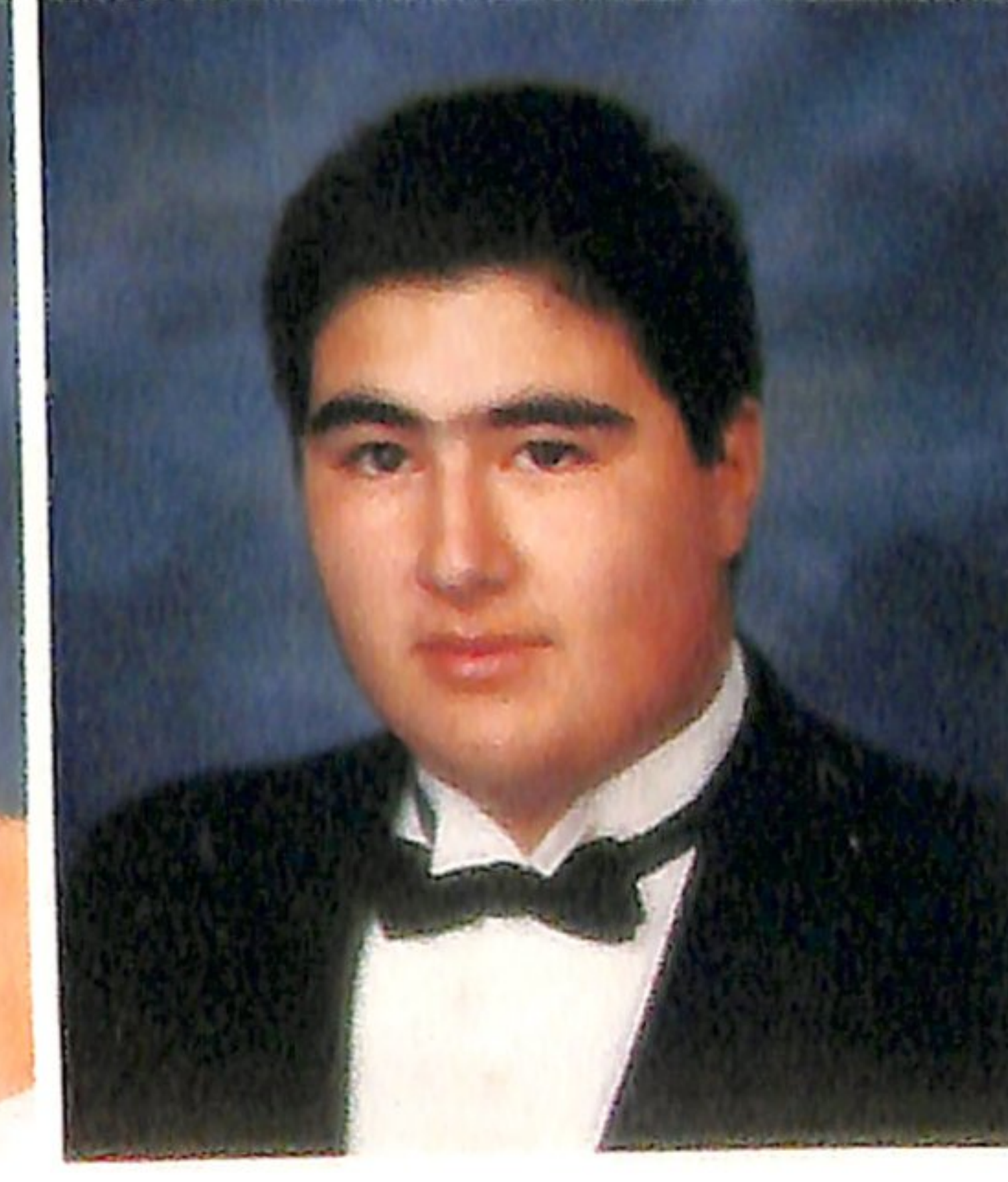
The old cliché proves itself true once again. Time flies when you're having fun. "I thought high school was going to be the longest, most tedious four years of my life," commented Senior David Tapp. "Then, the weirdest thing happened-I woke up one morning, and I was a senior." High school for most seniors has zipped by in a blur of purple and gold, leaving these semi-adults excited, yet nervous about the future.



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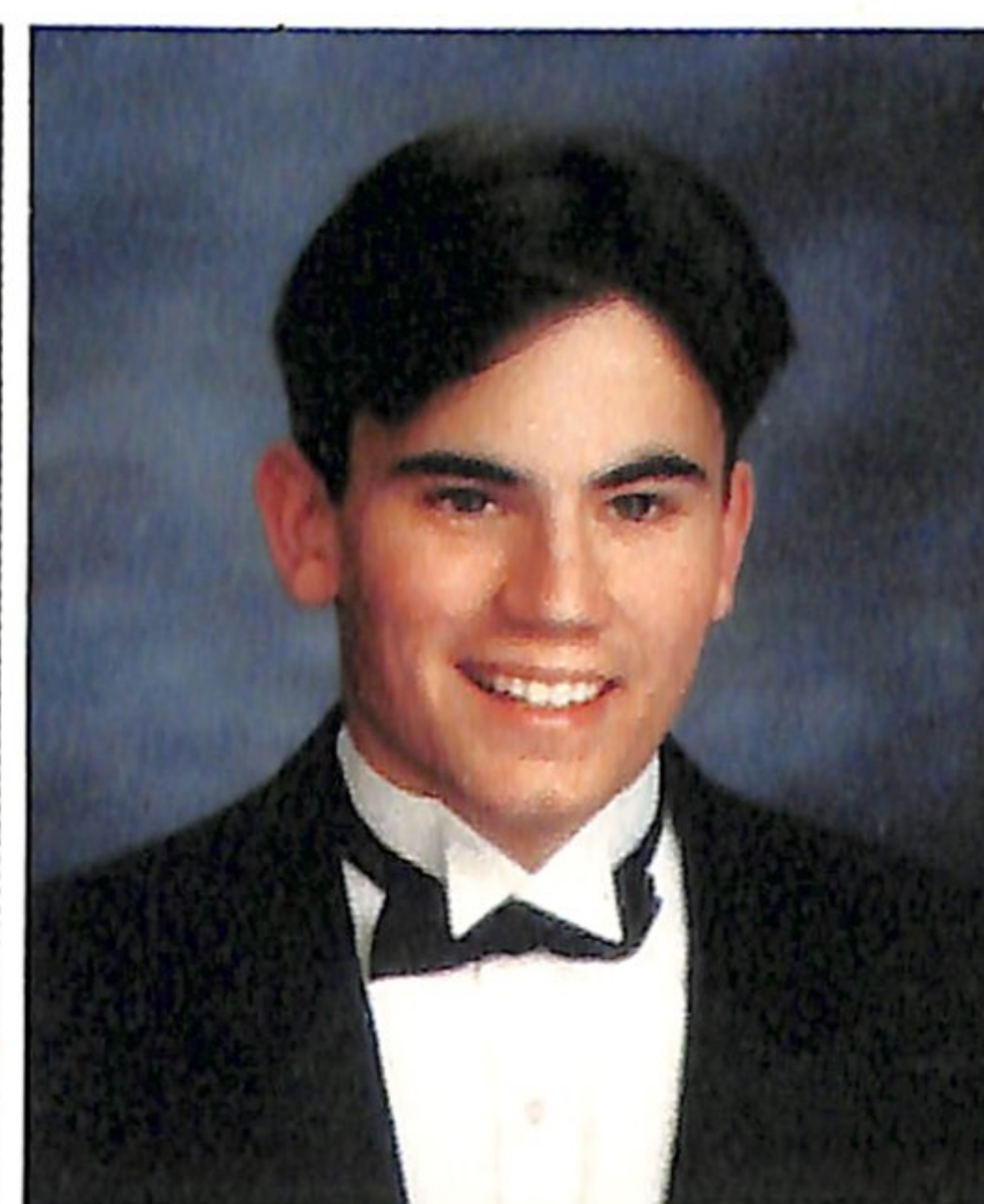
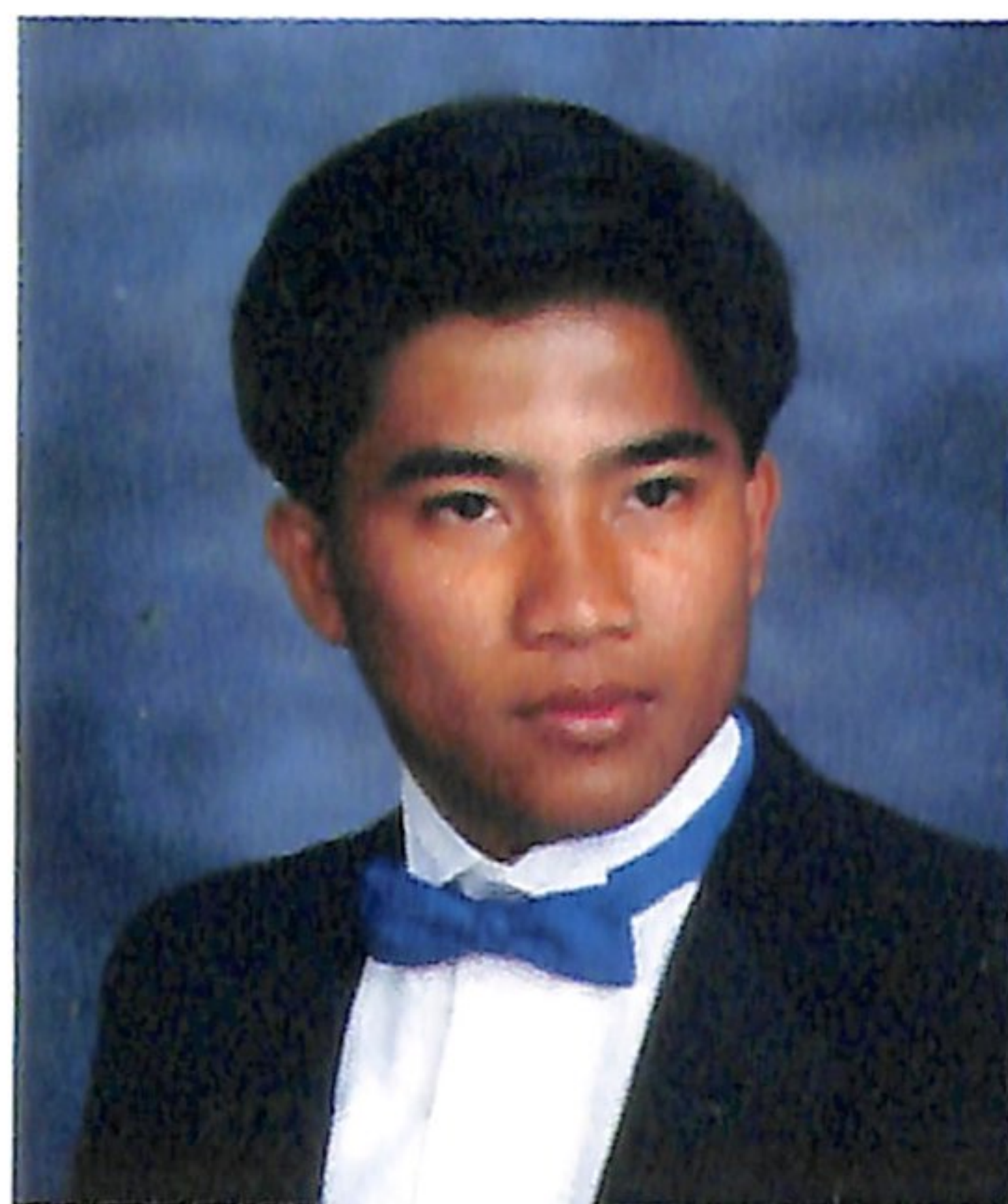


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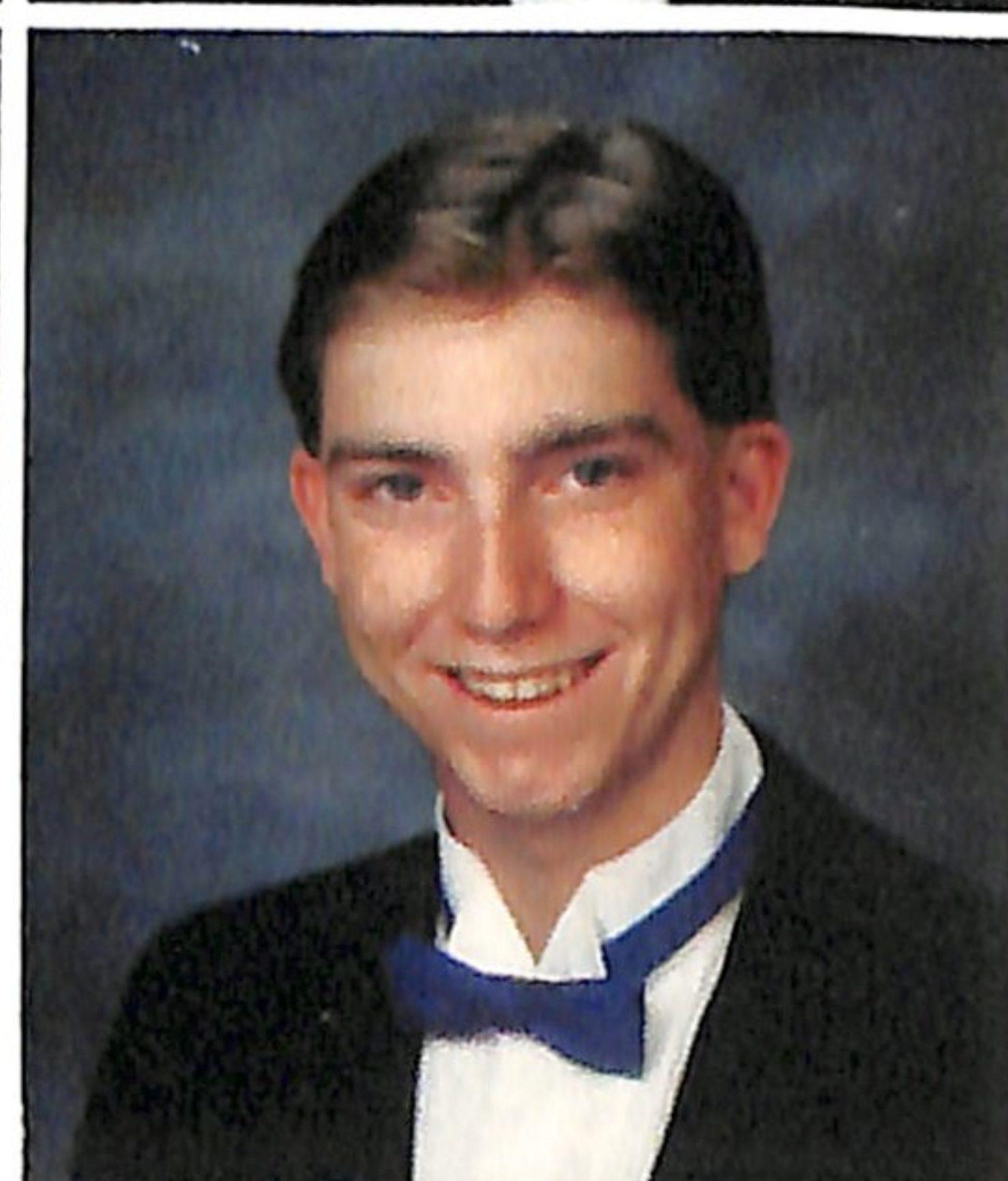
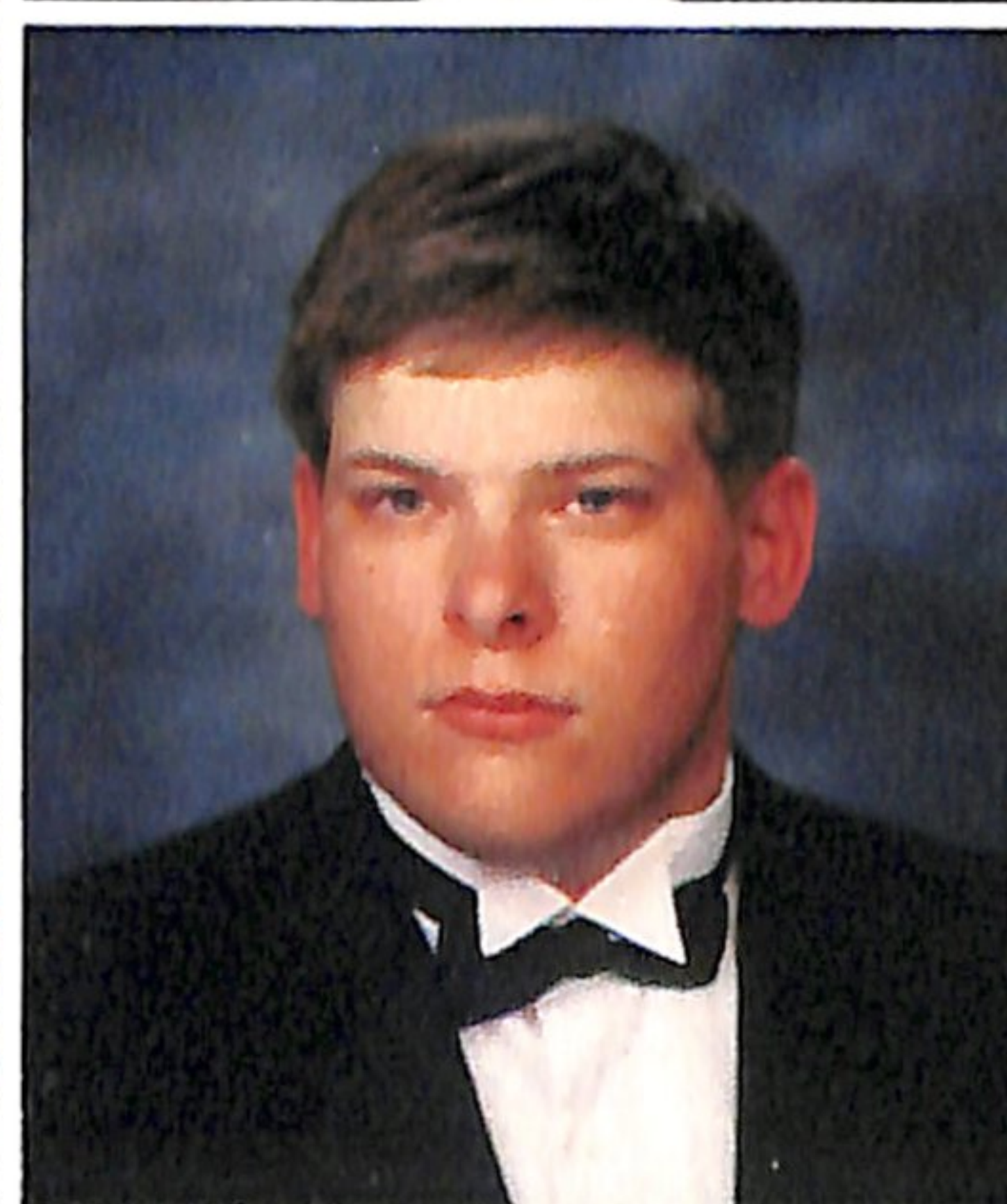
► Being inexperienced carpenters, Lisa Freer, Eileen Casuga, and Emma Willey had to learn a new skill to work on the Senior Class float for the Homecoming competition. The combined hard work of all those who contributed to the project paid off when it was selected for a first place award. "We wanted to make this float the best it could be," said Lisa.



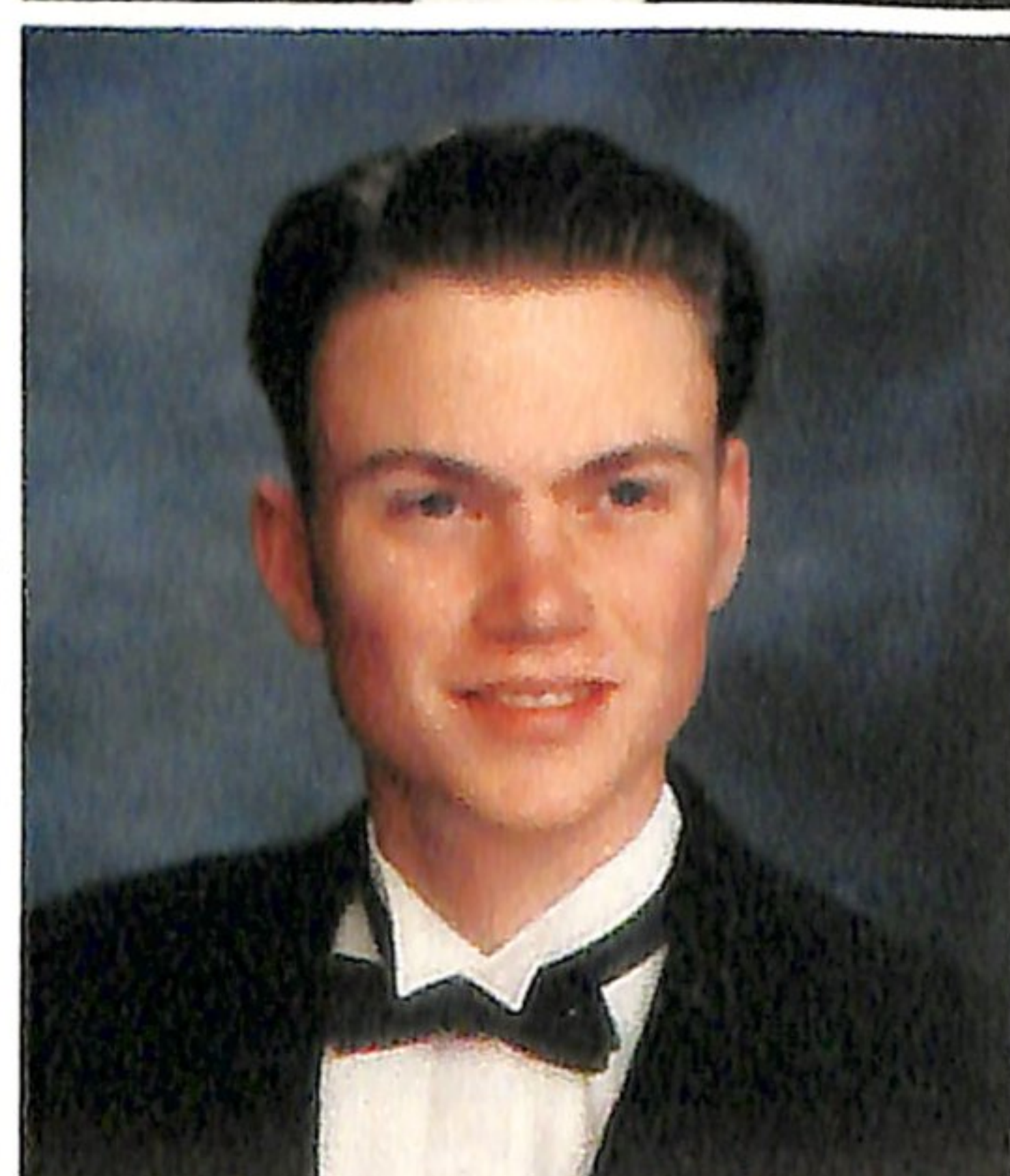
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Over The Years

In August 28, 1988, the one hundredth graduating class began their four year trek at Armijo. There were over seven hundred of us then, now there are only about four hundred and thirty. A lot of things have changed since our Freshmen year.

When we were freshmen, we had a twelve minute passing period between second and third, lunch came after fourth period, and rallies were before or after school. The I-hall was not completed and there were no extensions to the F and G wings. The population was roughly two thousand and there was no air conditioning for those hot summer days. Mr. Harrison had just signed on as the new Activities Director and Mrs. Curtis was added to the faculty as our class advisor. Multicultural Day was an afternoon of Mexican dancing, bands playing, sports, food, fun, and games that happened once a year. But because it was an open campus, many kids decided to go home. Lack of student participation saw to the end of that, and Multicultural Day was no more.

By our sophomore year, we realized that things would continue changing. Not only that, but the shaving cream fight at the end of the year caused the campus to be swarmed with yard duties. Lunch was moved to after third period and the two minute bell was introduced to stop all the running between classes. We were hit by the quake of '89 on October 17 at precisely 5:04 pm.

As juniors, we saw other subtle changes in Armijo's growth. F and G portables were added to the original wings. The conflict in the Persian Gulf was transformed into the Gulf War where the United States triumphed over the Iraqis with Operation Desert Storm. At this time recruiters were seen on campus trying to encourage juniors and seniors to join the armed forces. We also witnessed the destruction of the Berlin Wall.

Our senior year began with the Oakland/Berkeley Fire that left over 2,500 homes in ashes. The A/B lunch was started in order to cut down the crowding problem and ended with the first Sober Grad Night.

I t's A Jungle Out There!

Imagine being a senior without any money, desperate enough to raid a sibling's piggy bank, or use manipulation to obtain money from parents, and then realizing it was time to step out into the real world. It was time to join the work force, the "corporate jungle." How bad could it have been? Senior Michelle Bean said, "It was good to have a job to pay for my own necessities so my mom didn't have to." Another Senior, Josiah Medina said, "It was important for me to have a job because I hated asking for money and I could show my parents I had responsibility."

The first step was to go out there with your head held high, keeping strength and determination in mind, prepared for competition and the possibility of rejection. After filling out a dozen or more applications, all of which had to be marked "No real experiences besides taking out the garbage and mowing the lawn," you might have landed an interview. Senior Rodney Moy spoke of his first interview as he said, "I got the job pretty easily. I was hired on the spot."

Unfortunately, not everyone is as lucky and left the office of the potential employer with the feeling of being fed to a pack of hungry wolves. Questions had been fired: "What qualifications do you have?" (None), "How do you think you will contribute to our company?" (Well . . .), and the worst question of all, "Why do you want this job?" One's only thoughts were, "It's not a matter of want, it is a matter of need, desperation . . ." but you swallowed those thoughts and answered as best as you could. Your previous high hopes were shattered and you dragged your defeated-self home.

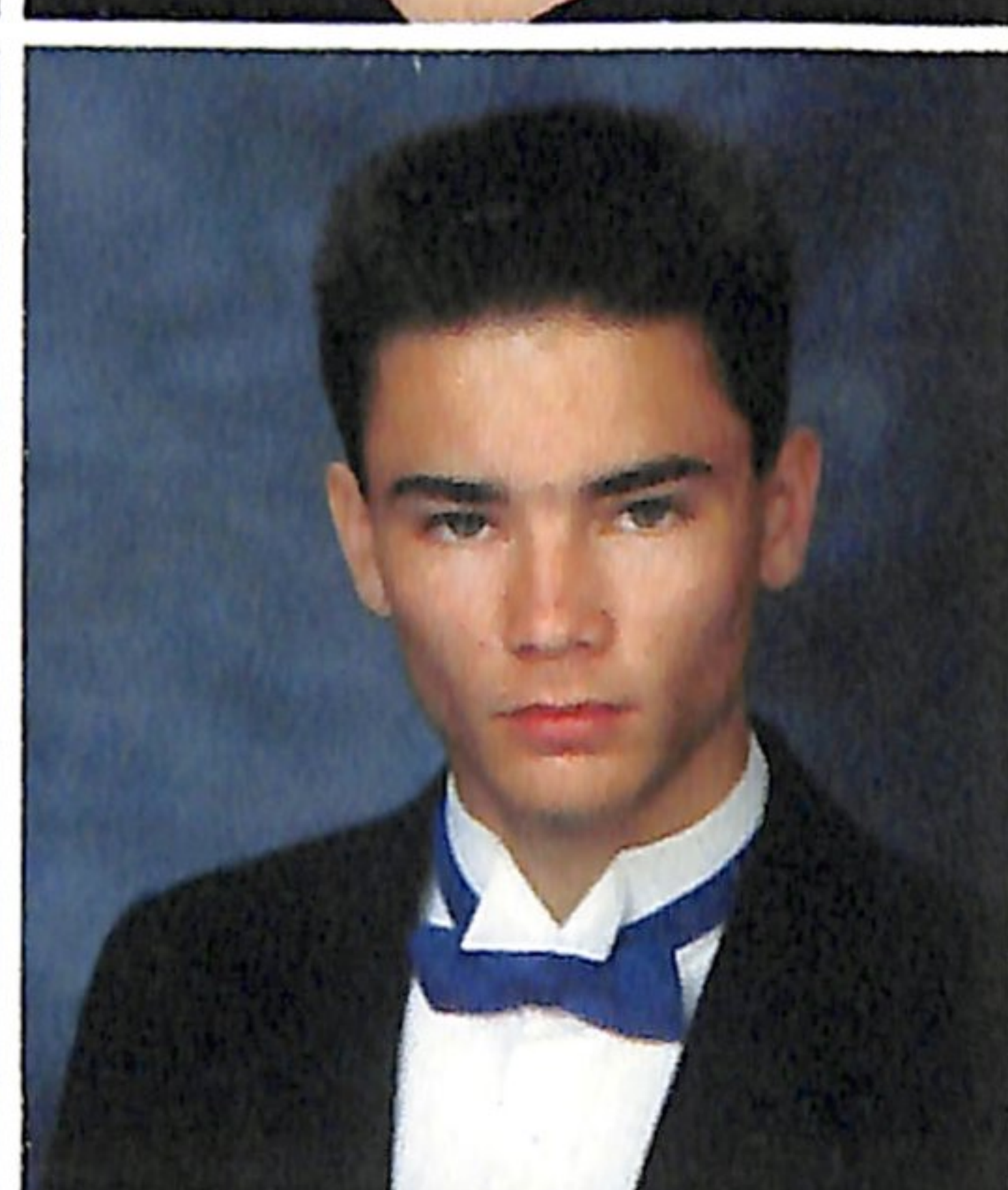
Days of sitting by the phone passed and you came to learn that someone "more qualified" got your position. Once again, it was time to begin the job hunt. By the second or third try, you finally succeeded. Senior Janice Robinson did, and she exclaimed, "Yes! I could finally pay off all my debts, especially that \$104 Compact Disc Club bill."

A sense of pride and accomplishment was felt knowing that you were finally able to pay for your own expenses and take responsibilities into your own hands. Most importantly, you knew that you were on your way to making it out there in the "JUNGLE."

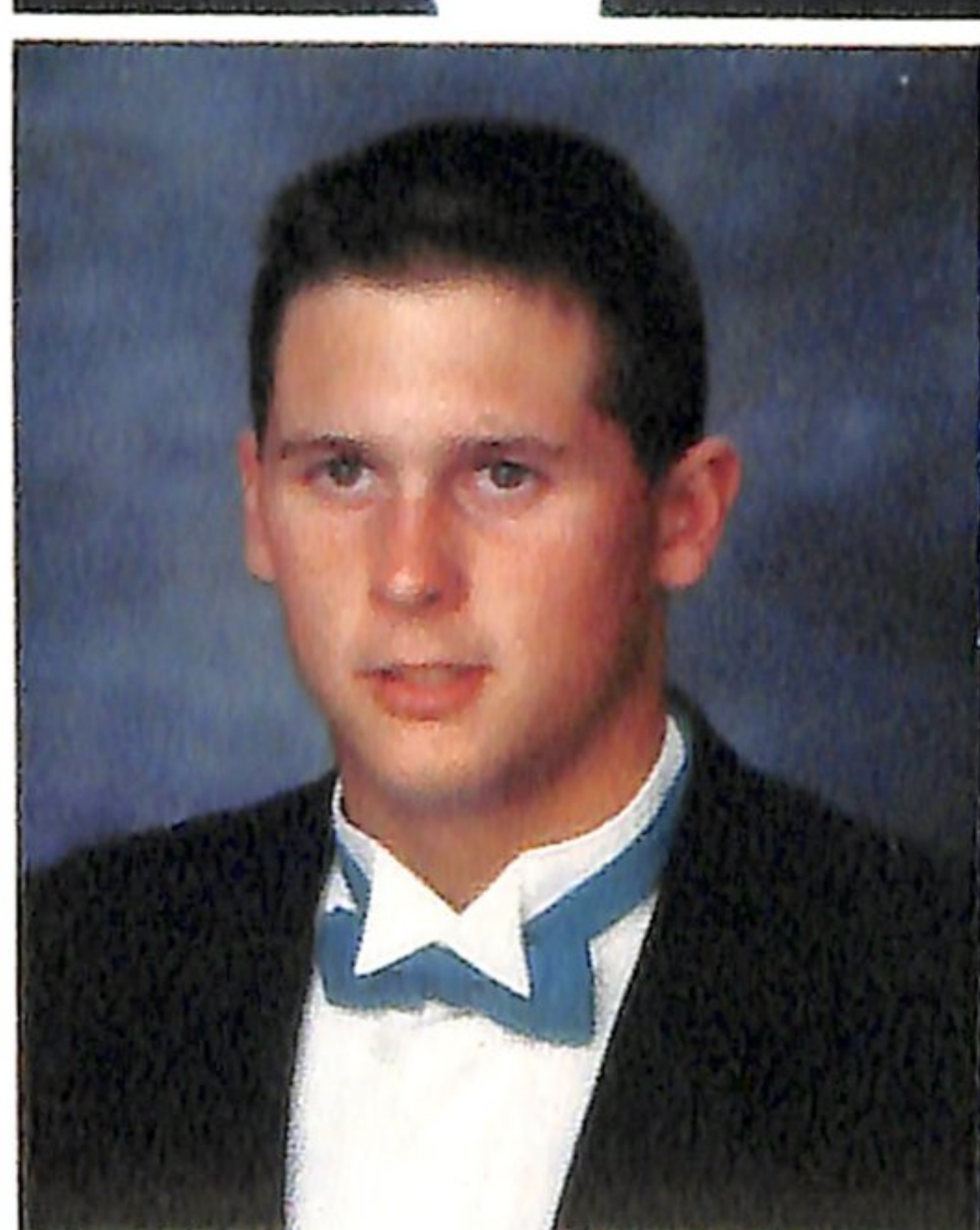
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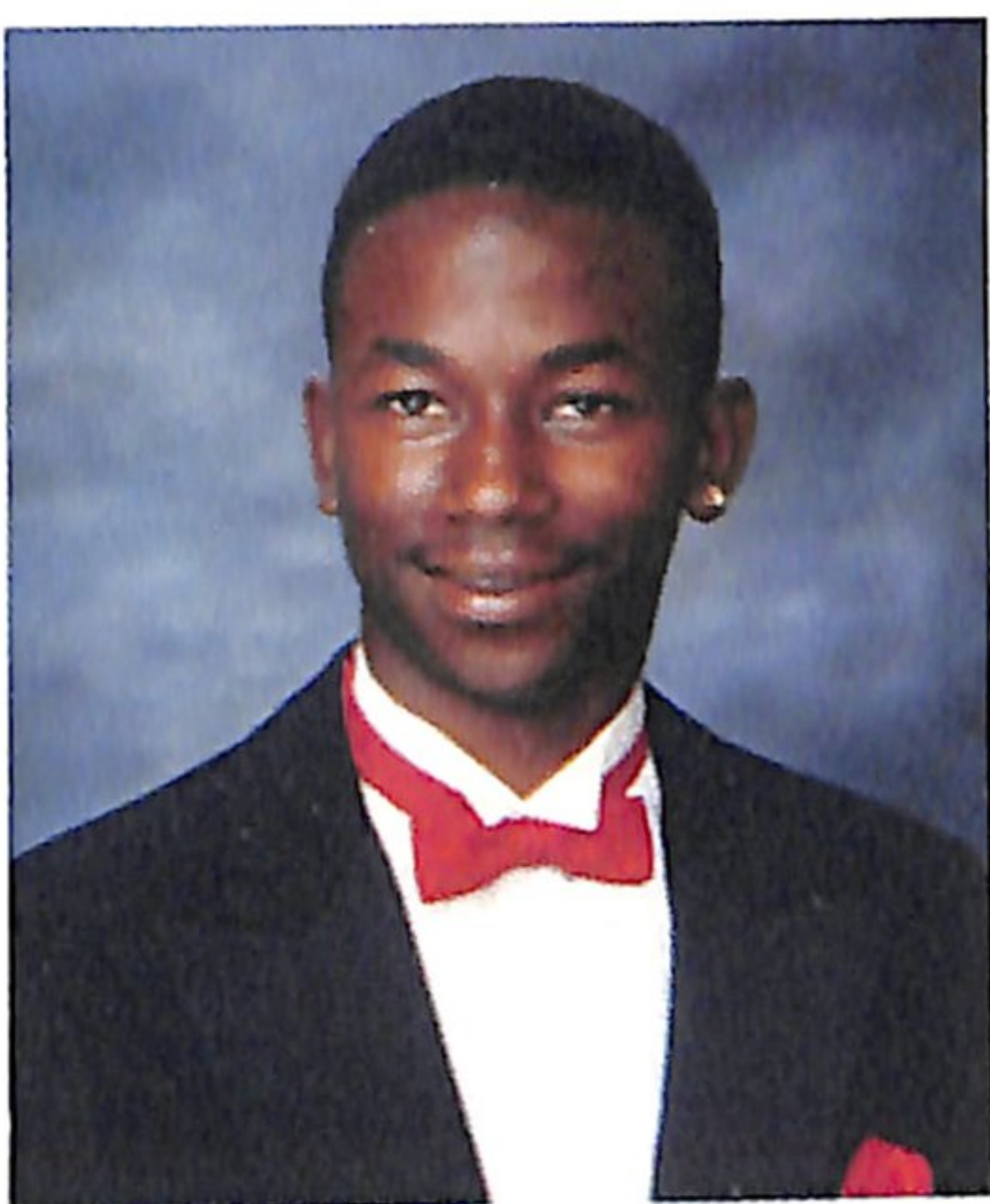
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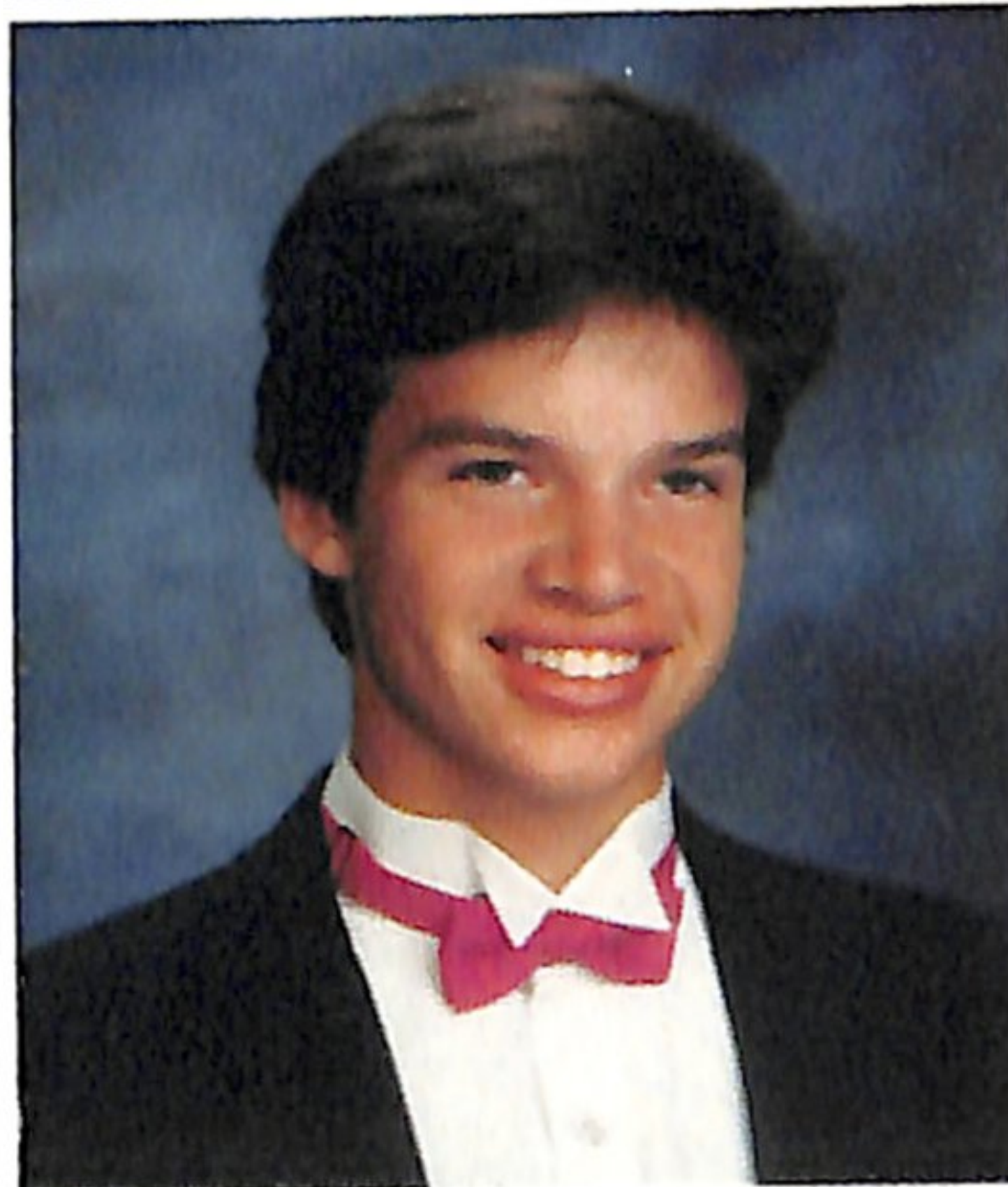


♦ "Seeing this endangered animal makes me aware of how important it is to protect our wildlife," said Senior Glen Flygare. He spent his day off at Marine World with Freshman Michele Capalety and trainer Ron Hitfield.

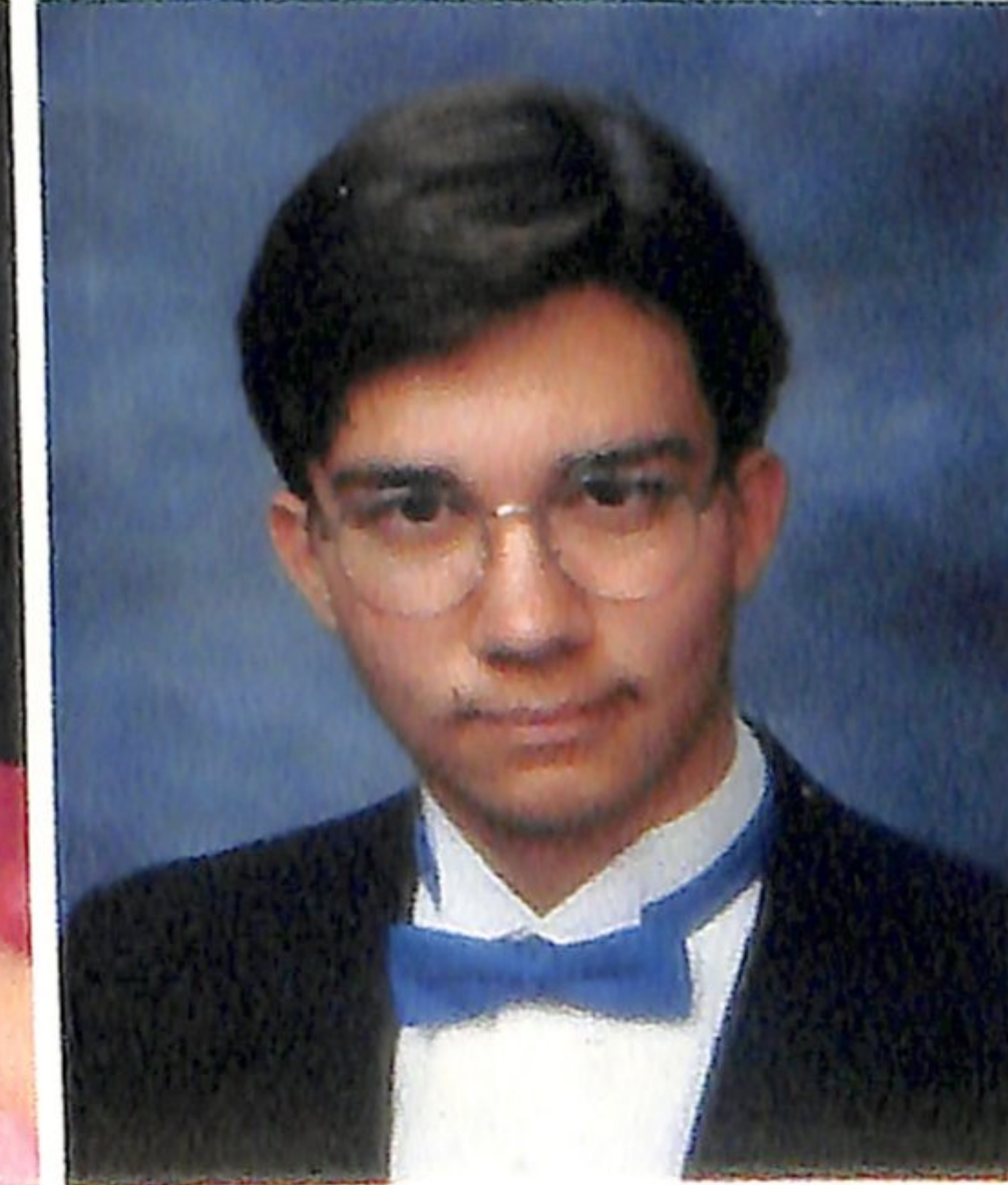
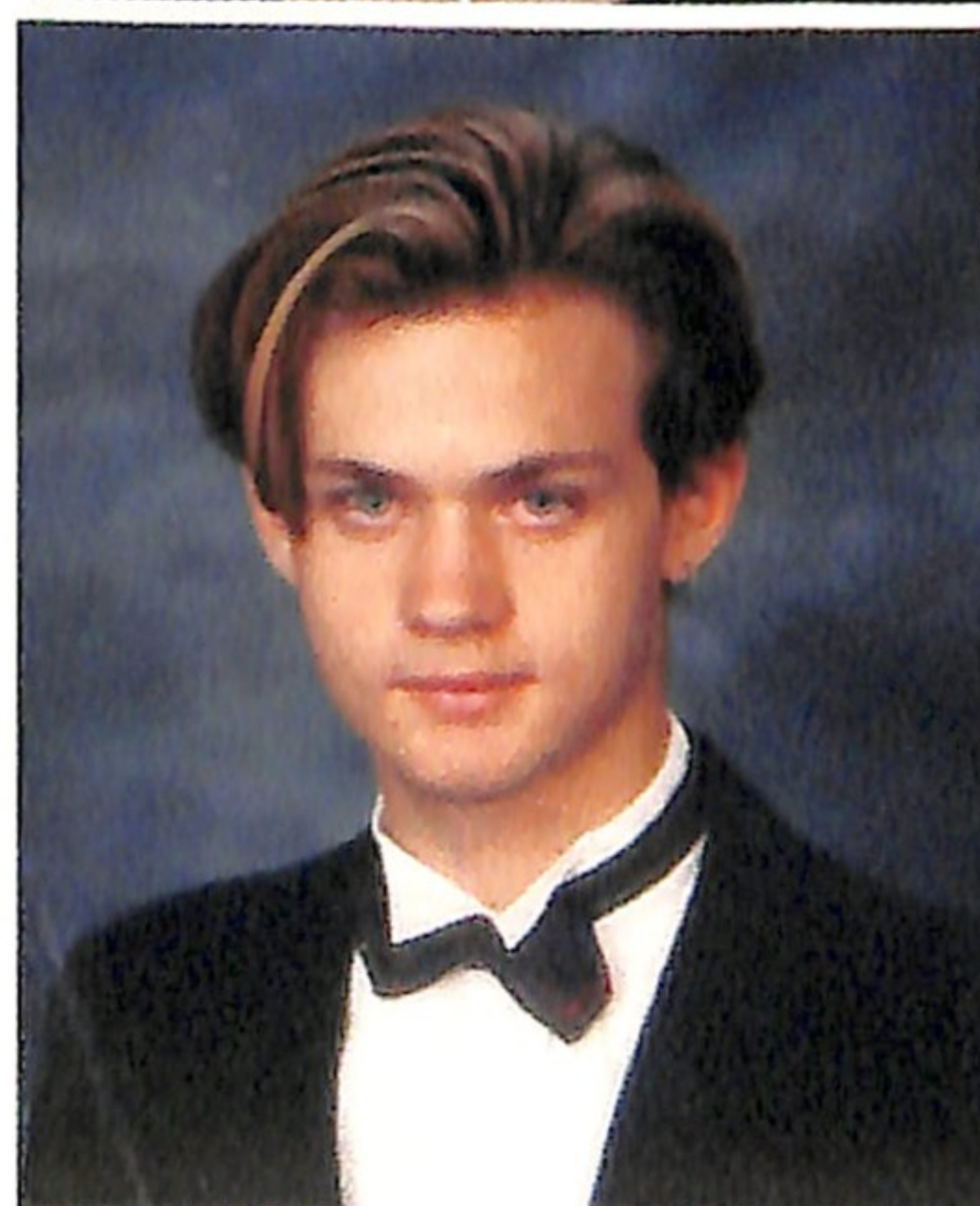
“ I can't see myself not having a job because all my priorities are dependent on having one. -Melissa Flores ”



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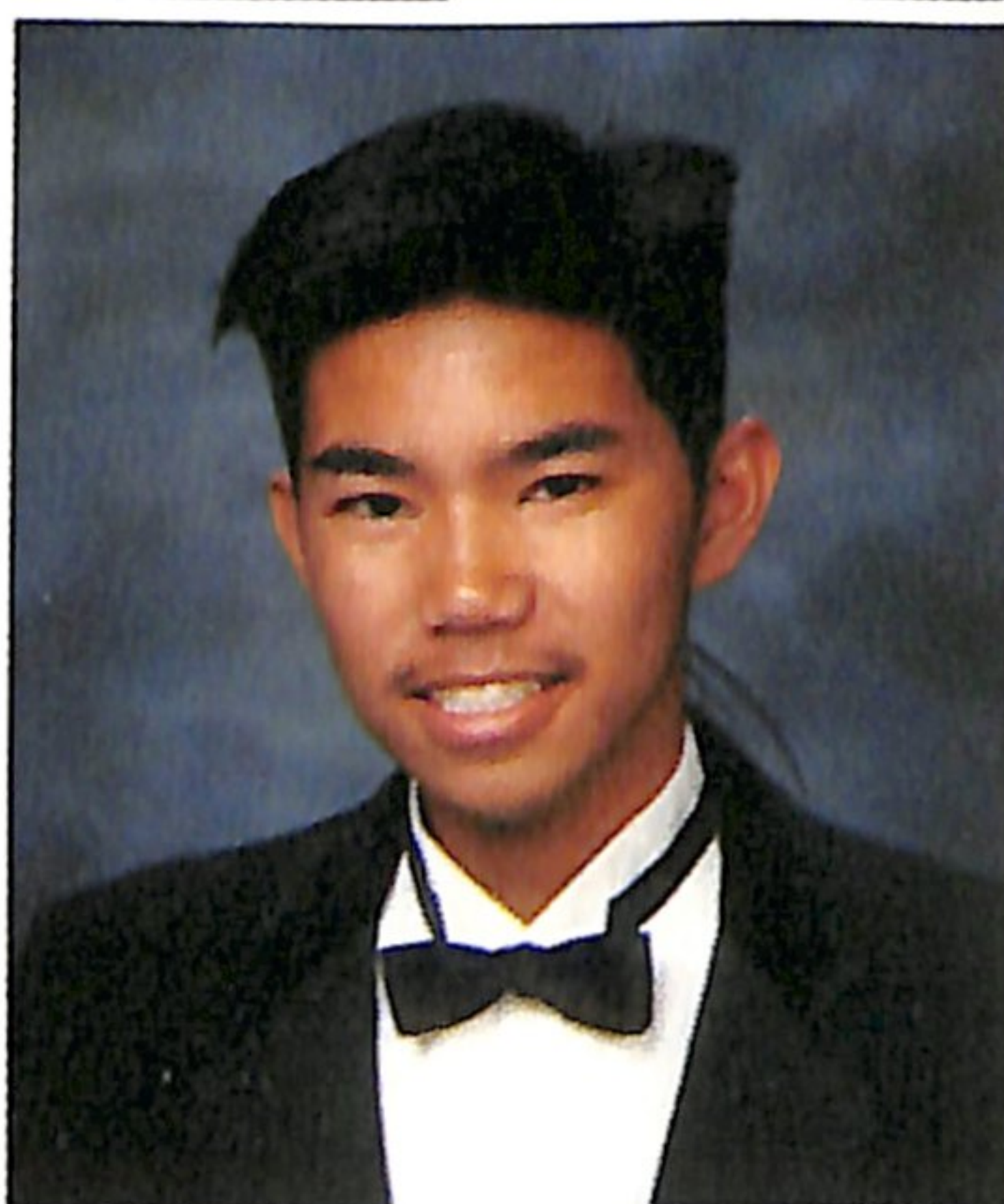
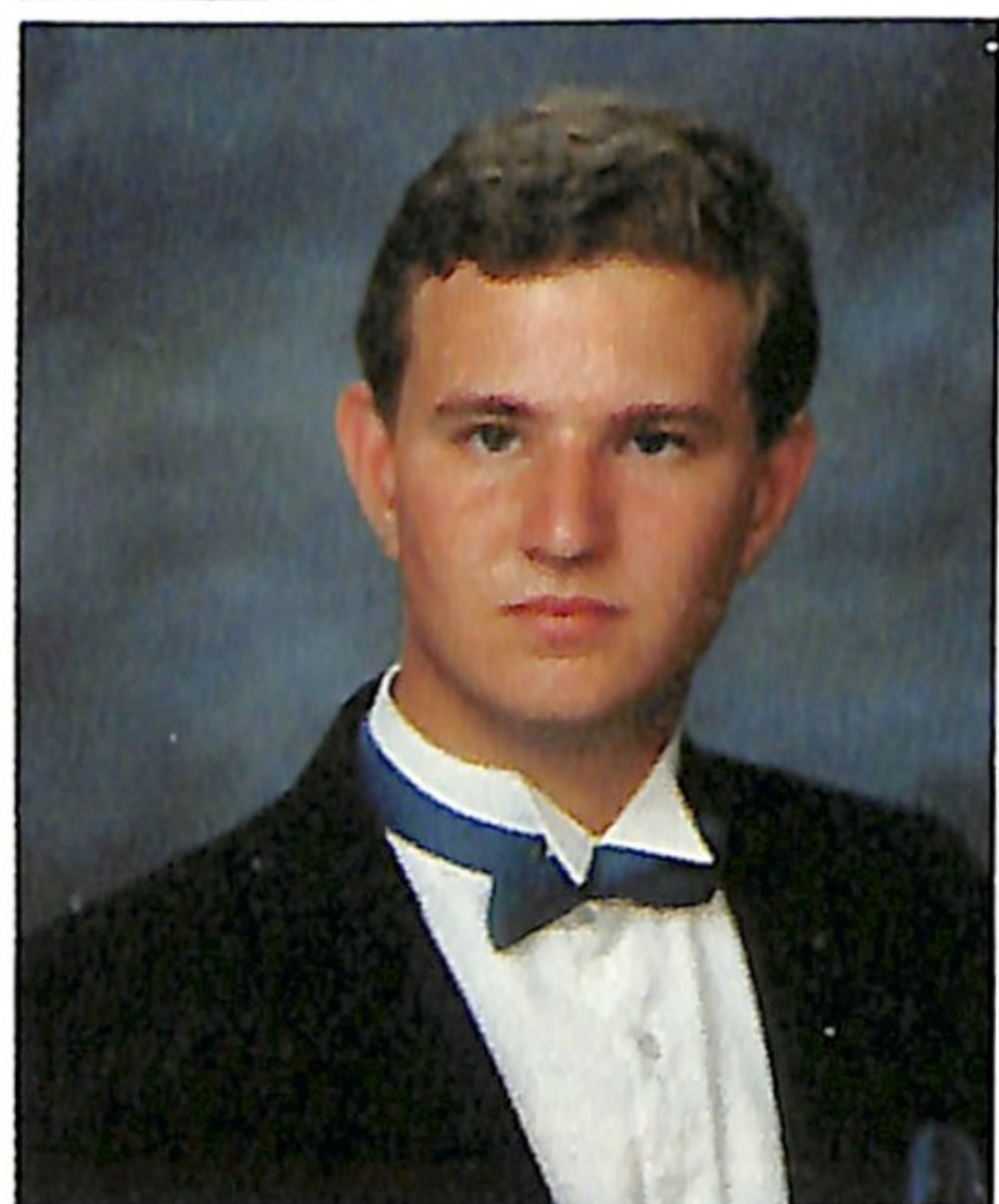


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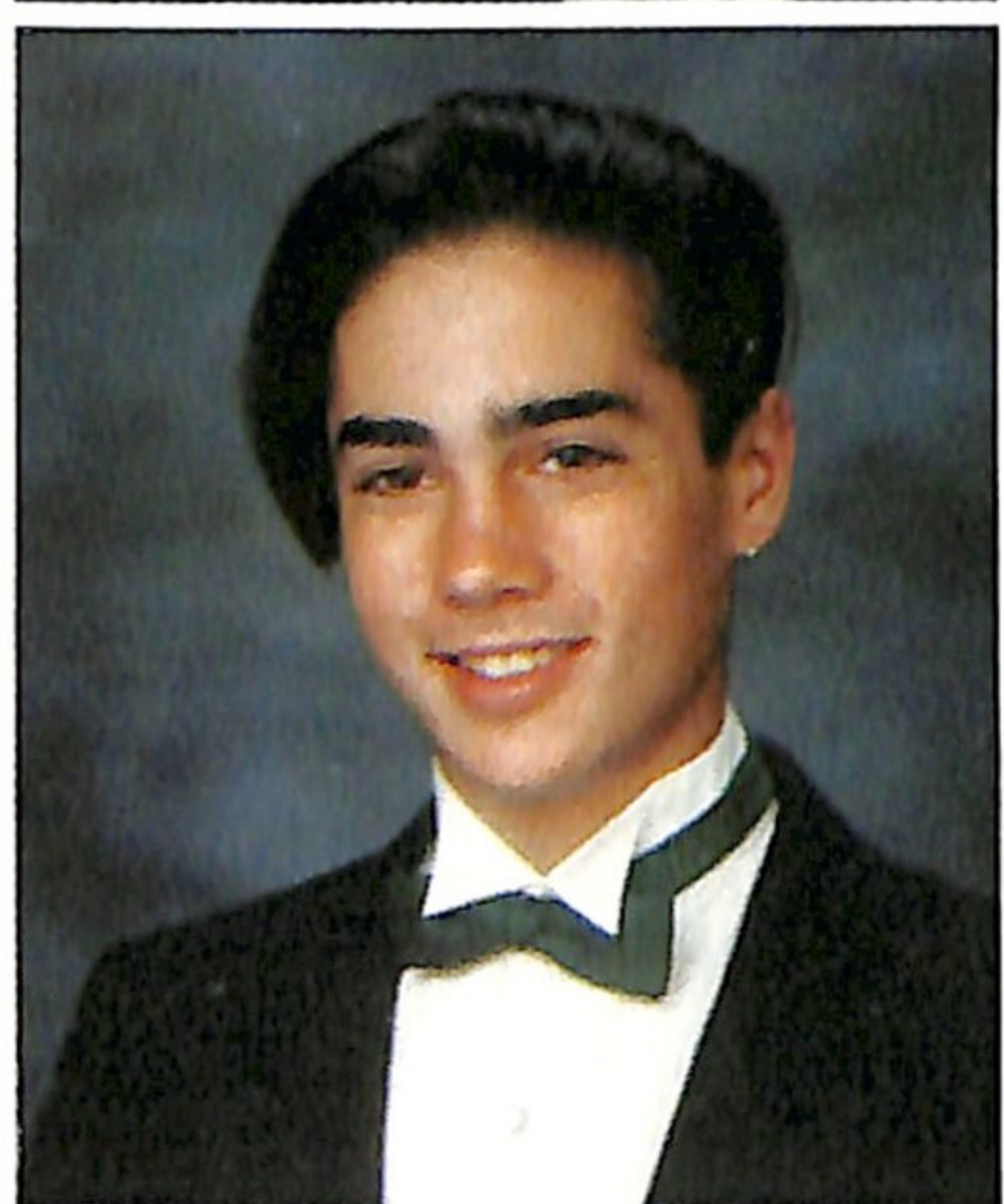
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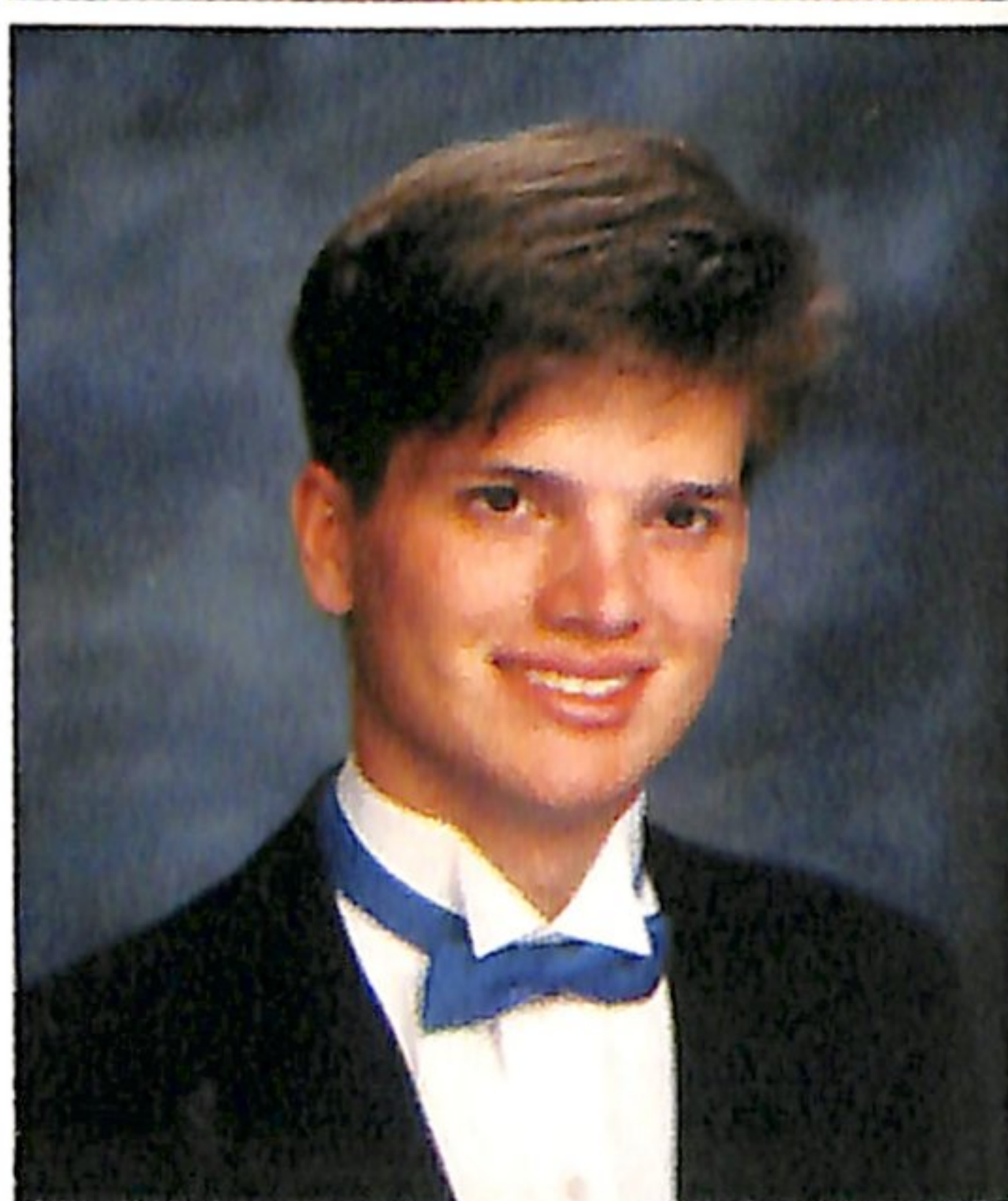
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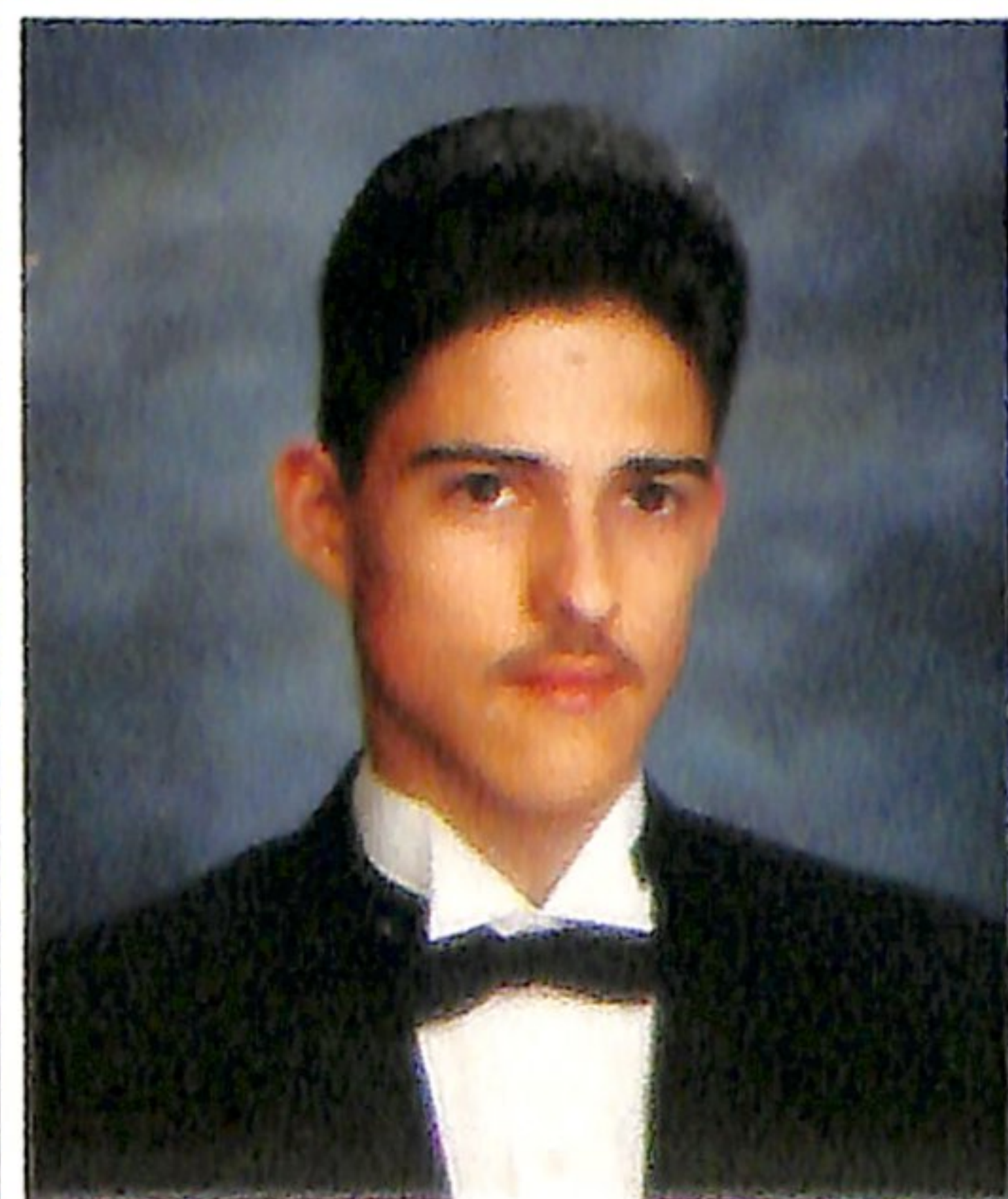
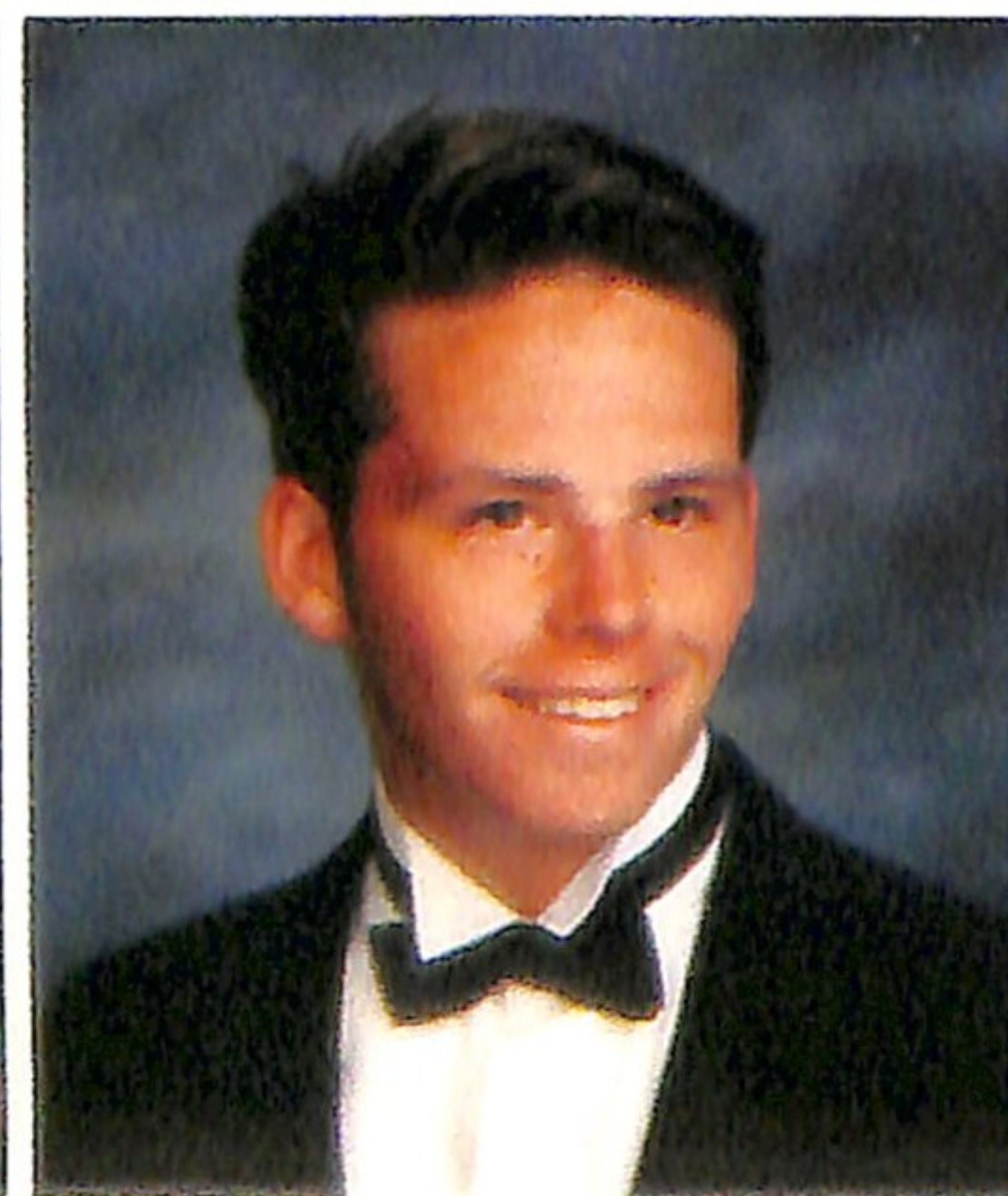
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▼ Before heading to work, Deanna Boothe has a few last problems to puzzle out with her homework. Students found it hard to budget their time between homework, jobs and their social lives.



T oo Late!

ick Tock! Tick Tock! bellows the clock, every student's arch enemy. The big assignment that you've had two months to work on is due tomorrow!

"O.K. calm down. Just don't panic," you mumble to yourself as you wipe the beads of sweat from your glistening forehead. "Let's just look and see what we've done for this project so far . . . AAAAH!"

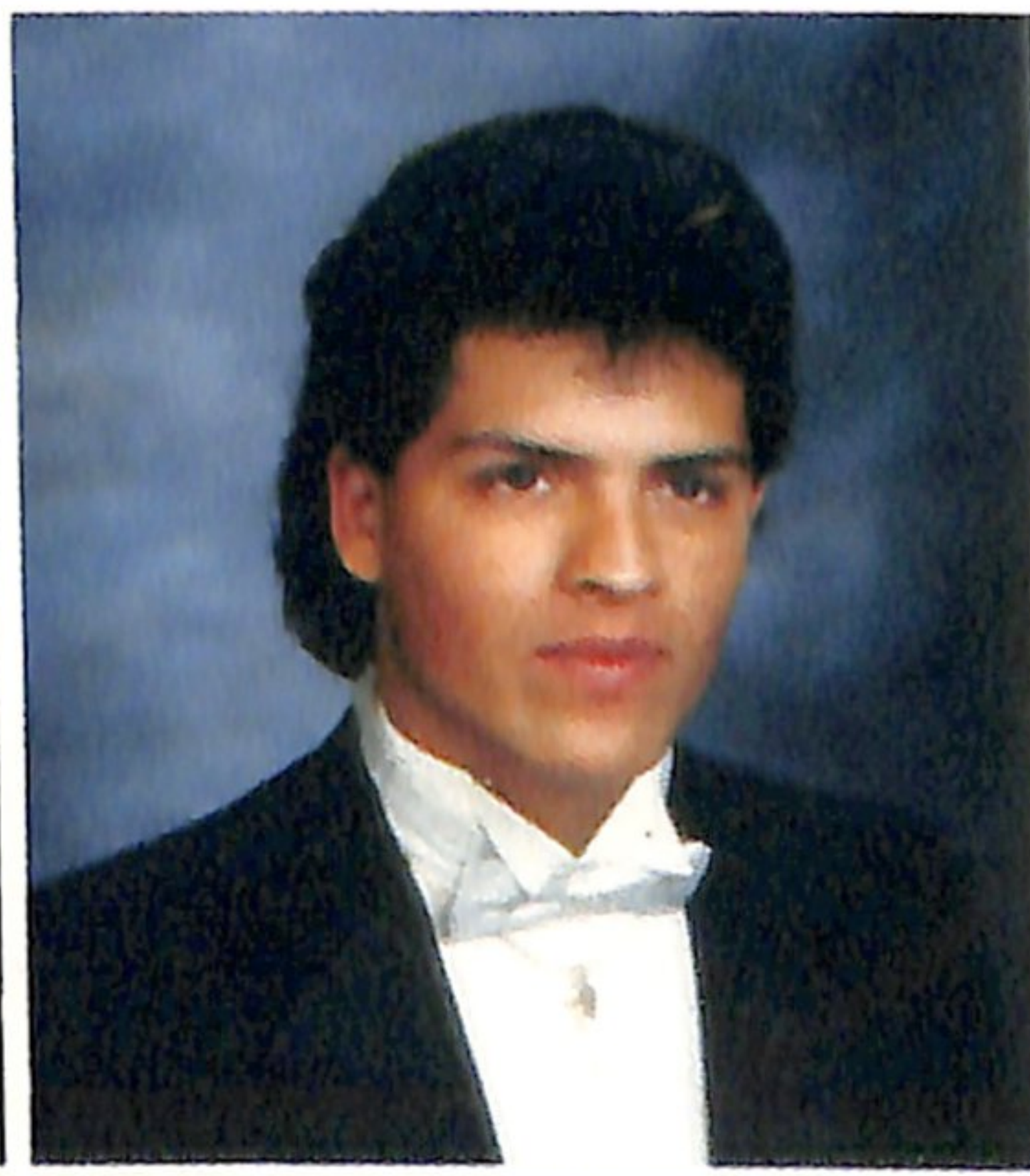
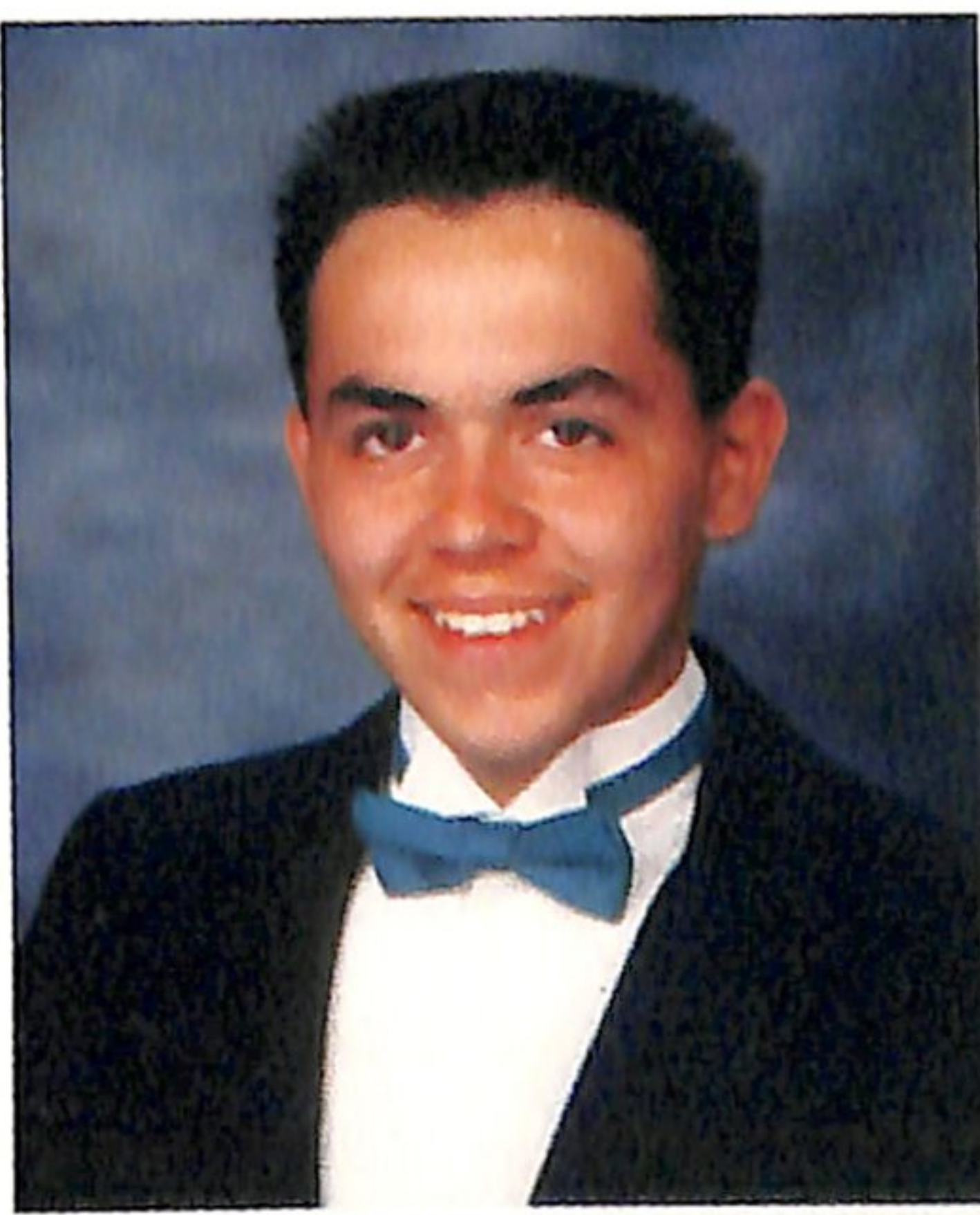
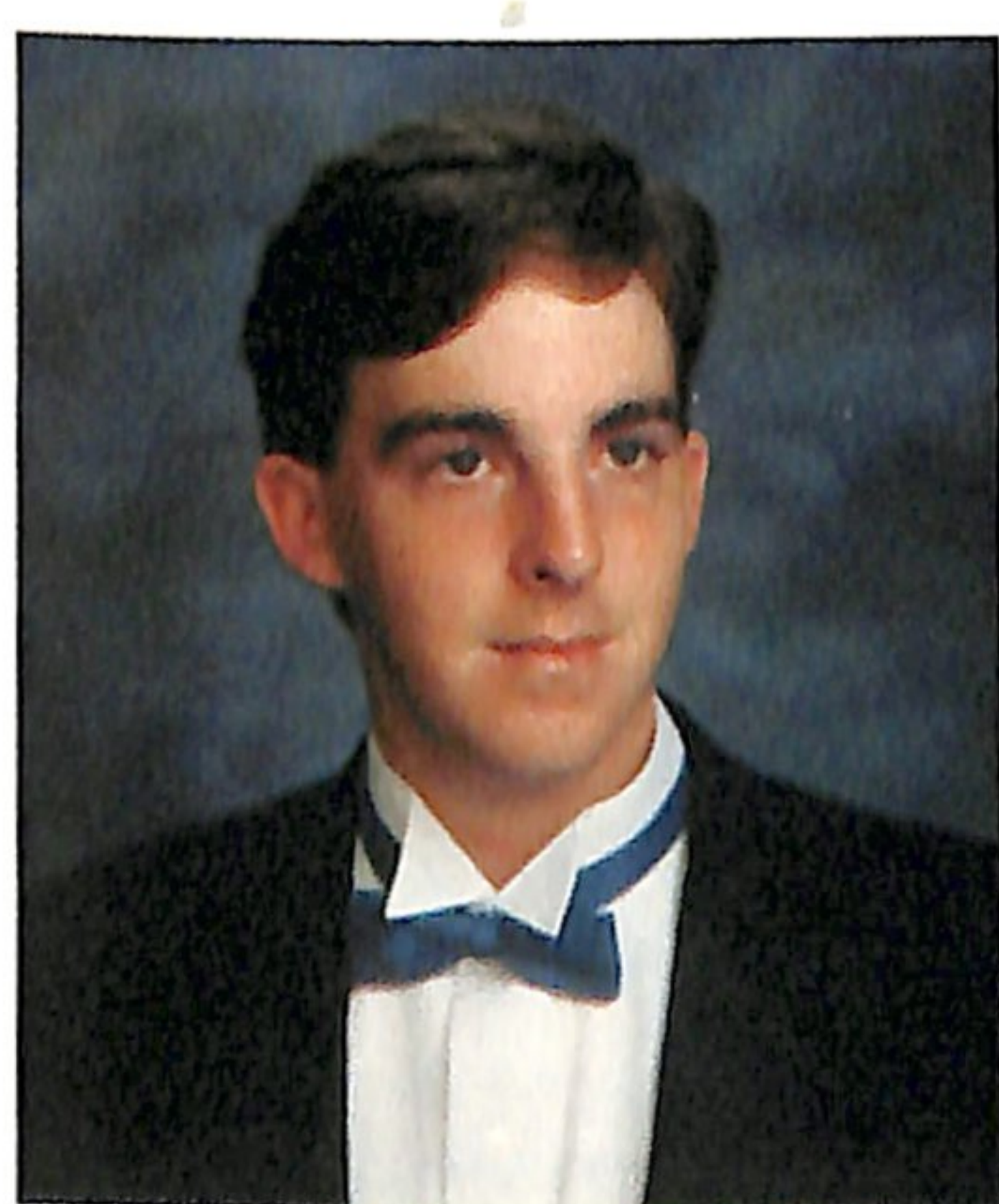
Procrastination is a common sickness. The symptoms are not life threatening, but can be harmful. One symptom is sever mastication of the cuticles, (usually referred to as nail-biting). While this is an unattractive symptom of procrastination, it only results in minor hemorrhaging of the fingers and a minor loss of appetite. Diligent student and Senior Class President Courtney Anderson remarked, "If you keep eating your hand, you're not going to be hungry for lunch!"

Another symptom of procrastination is perspiration. A side effect that results in minor loss of weight. When Senior Reed Gomes enters the sweating stage, and his parents notice that he has been putting off yet another project, they always say the same thing. "Son, you always procrastinate, and put things off until the last minute, why?" Reed's answer to this question is always the same.

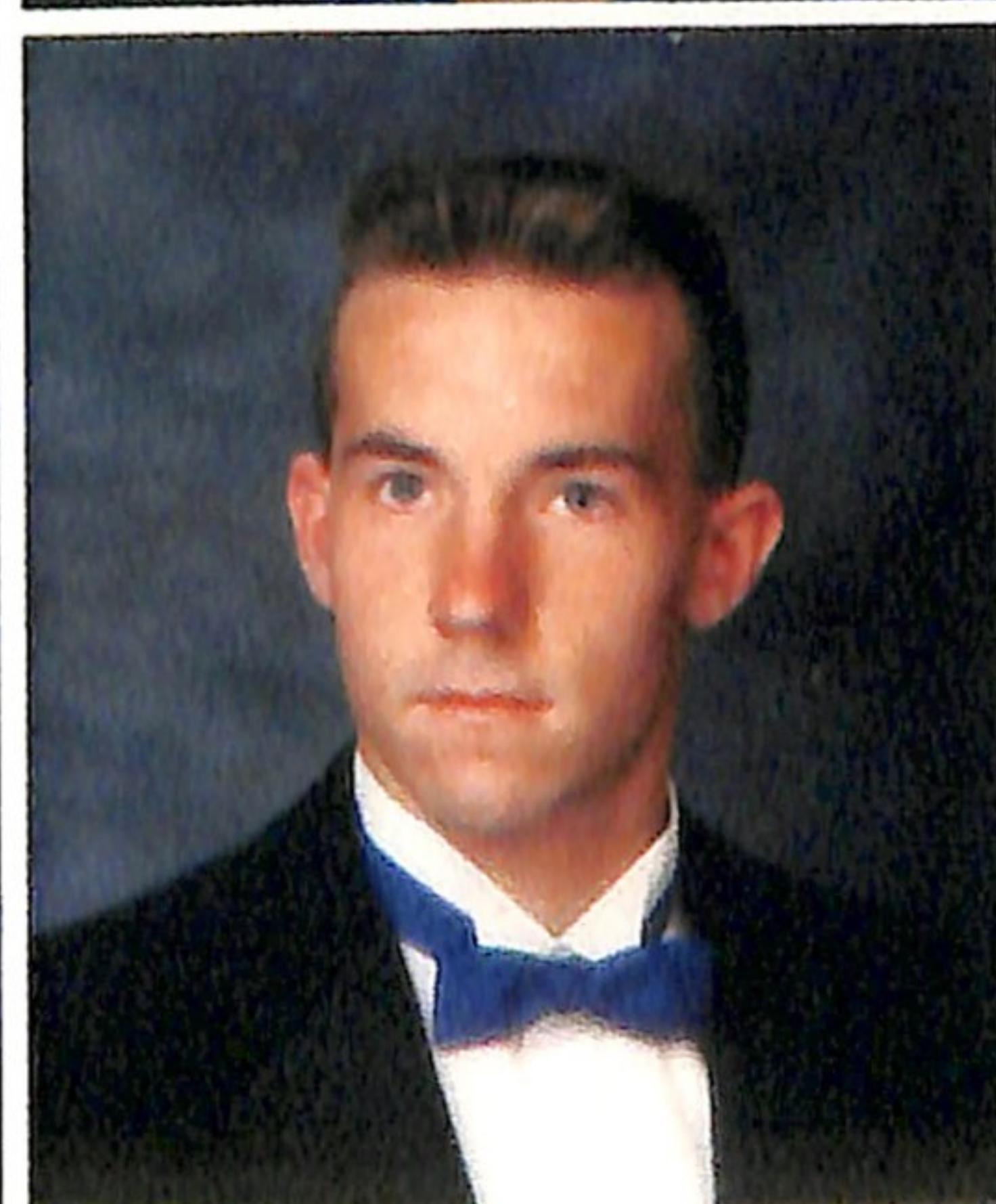
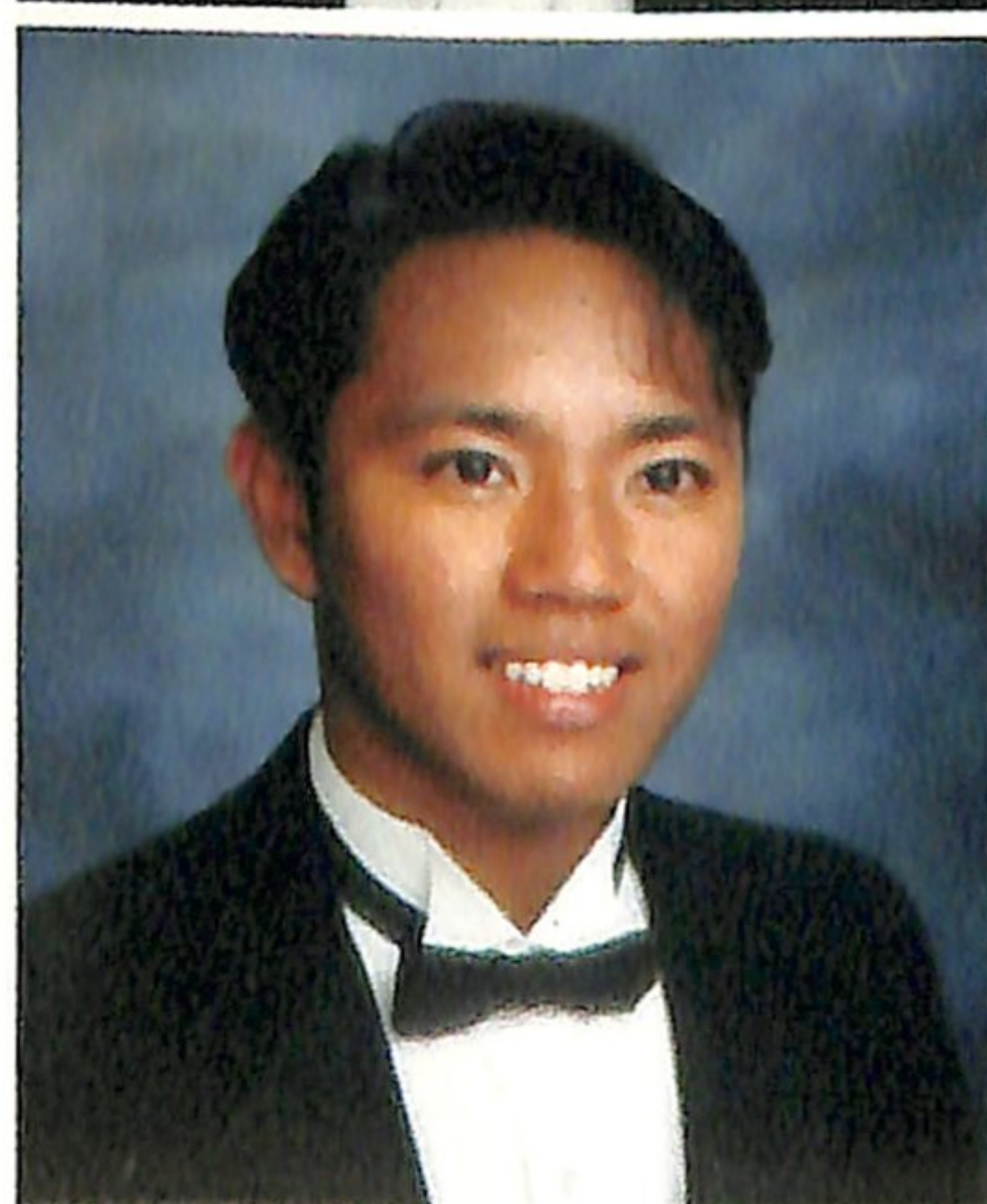
"Mom, Dad . . . can't we talk about this later?"

Jimmy Marshall remembers a time when he made a desperate attempt to squeeze in a huge project in one night. "Trust me, it doesn't work. For one thing, I was shaking all day from the coffee and I fell asleep the next day in about five classes."

Procrastination is a sickness, but not one without a cure. It was the simple cure, which usually puts an end to the procrastinator's academic woes. Do your homework! Work a little bit every day, instead of trying to do two months work in one night. Working a little at a time can prevent anyone from experiencing this epidemic from which no high school campus is immune.

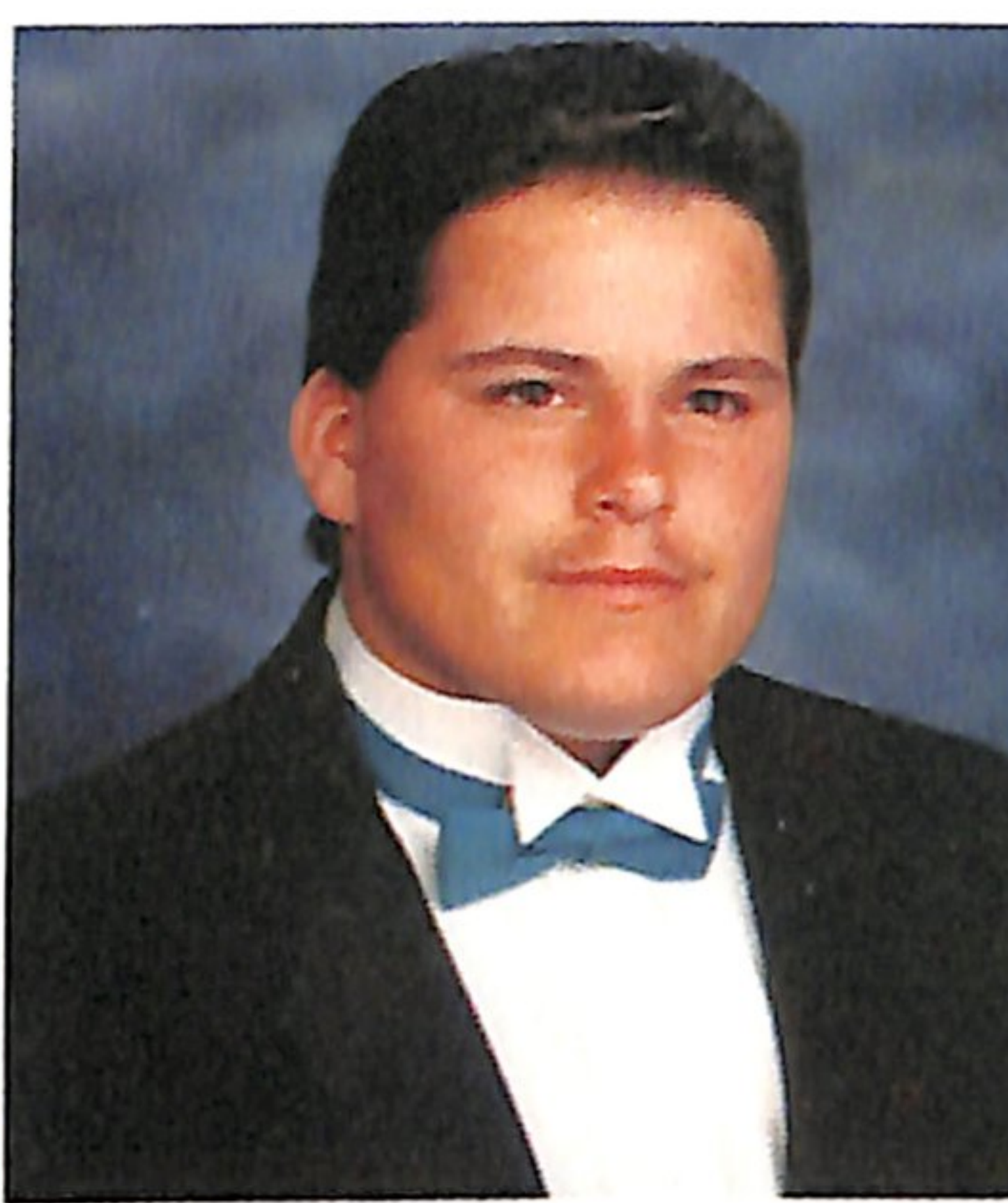


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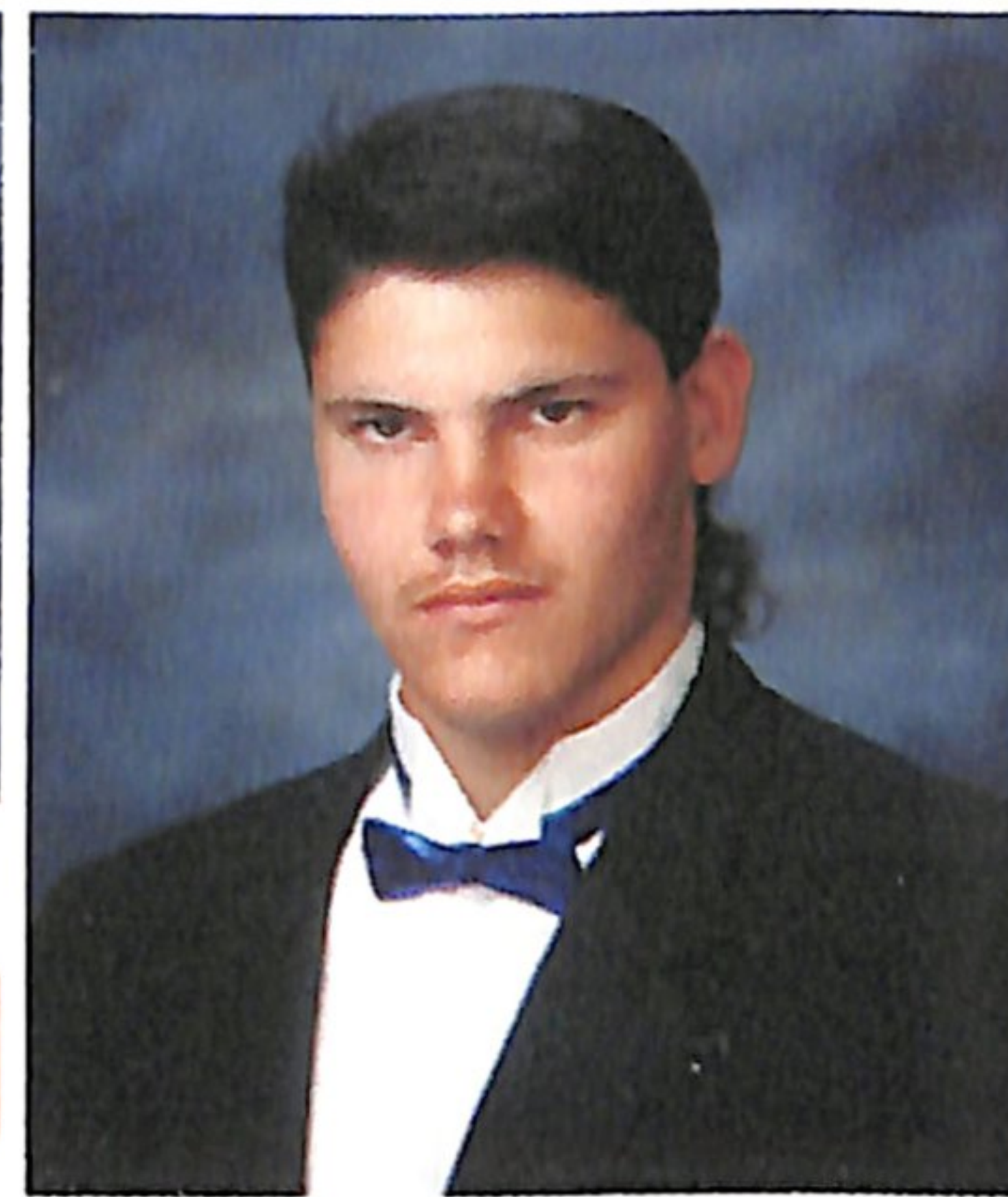


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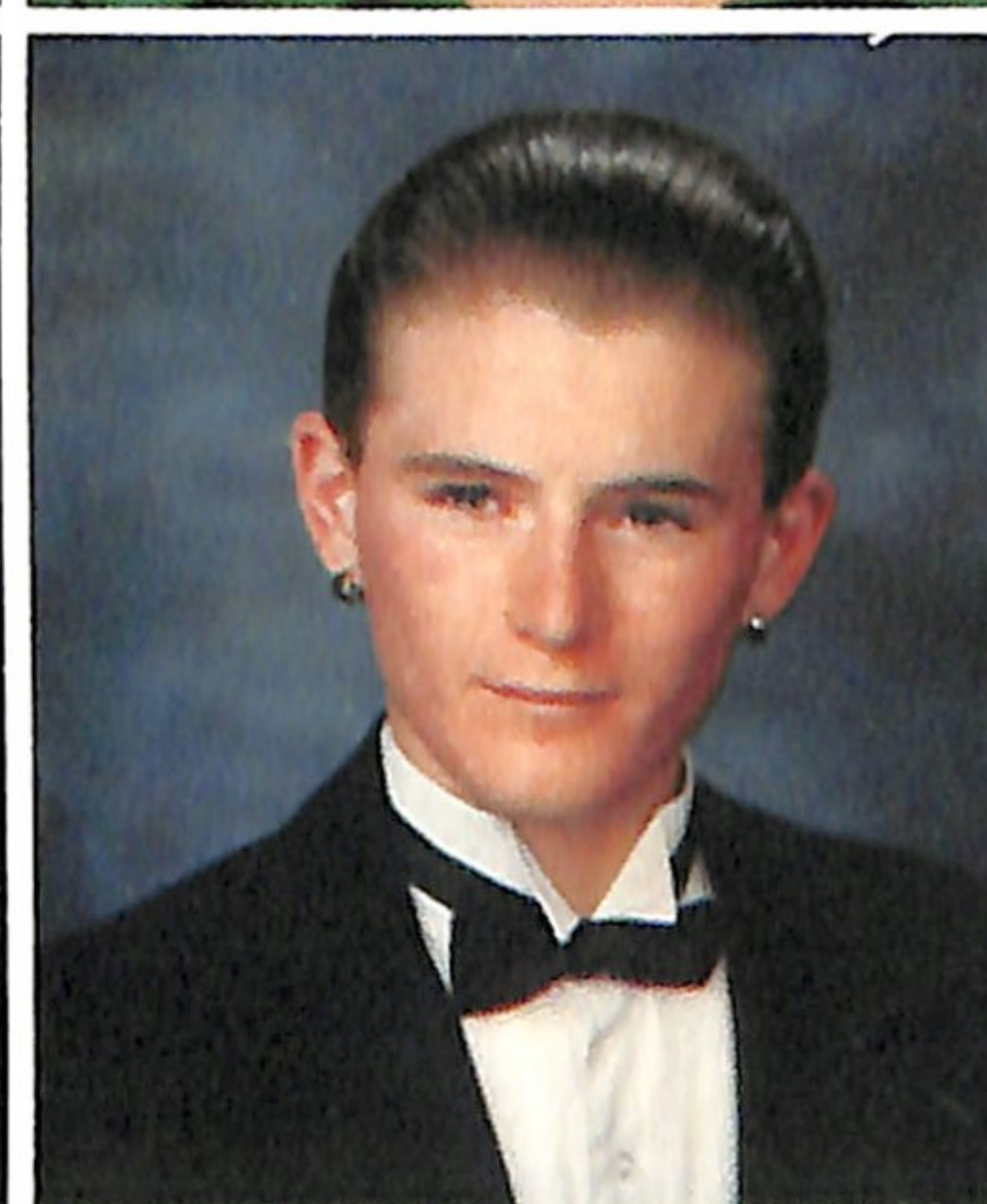
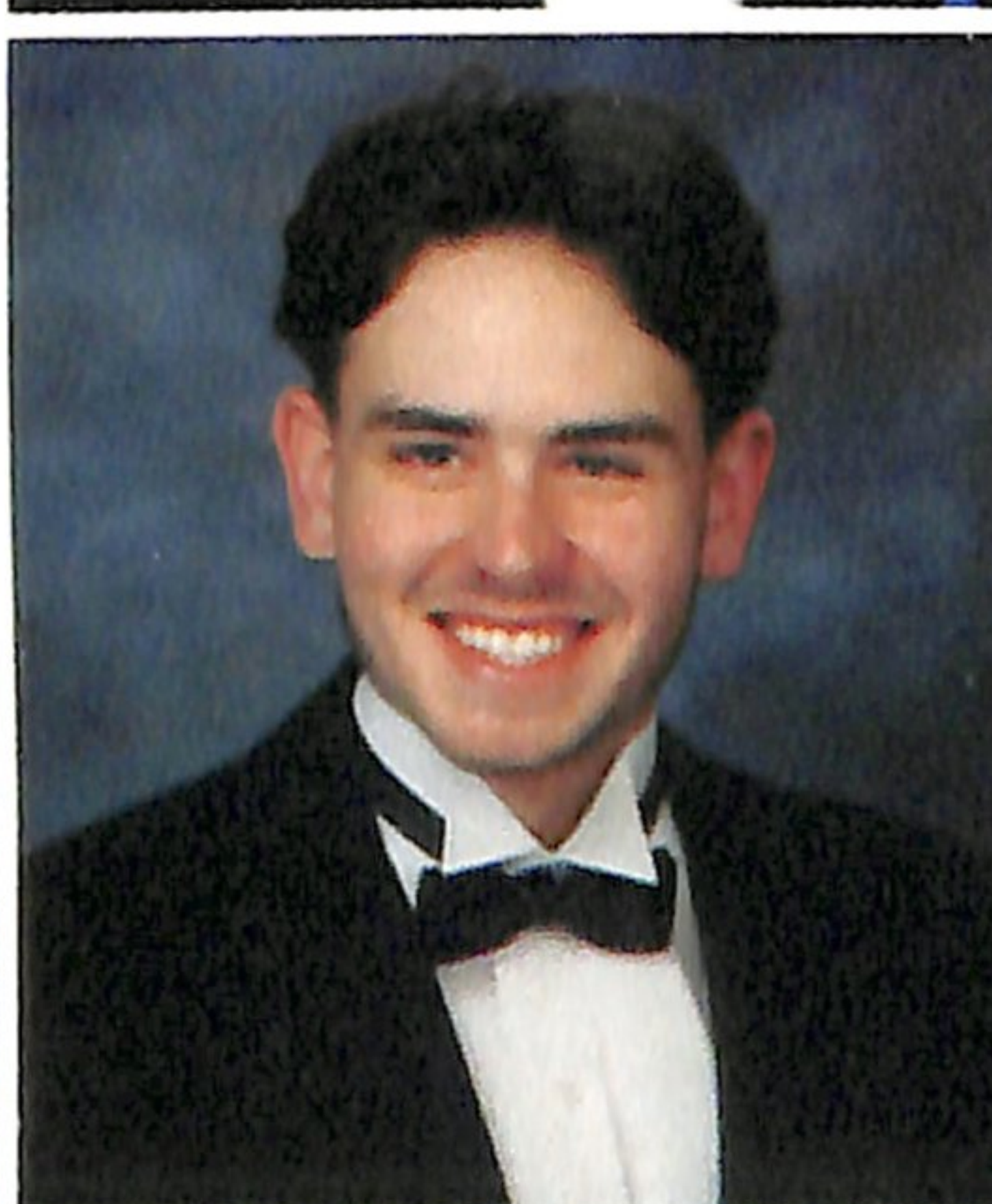
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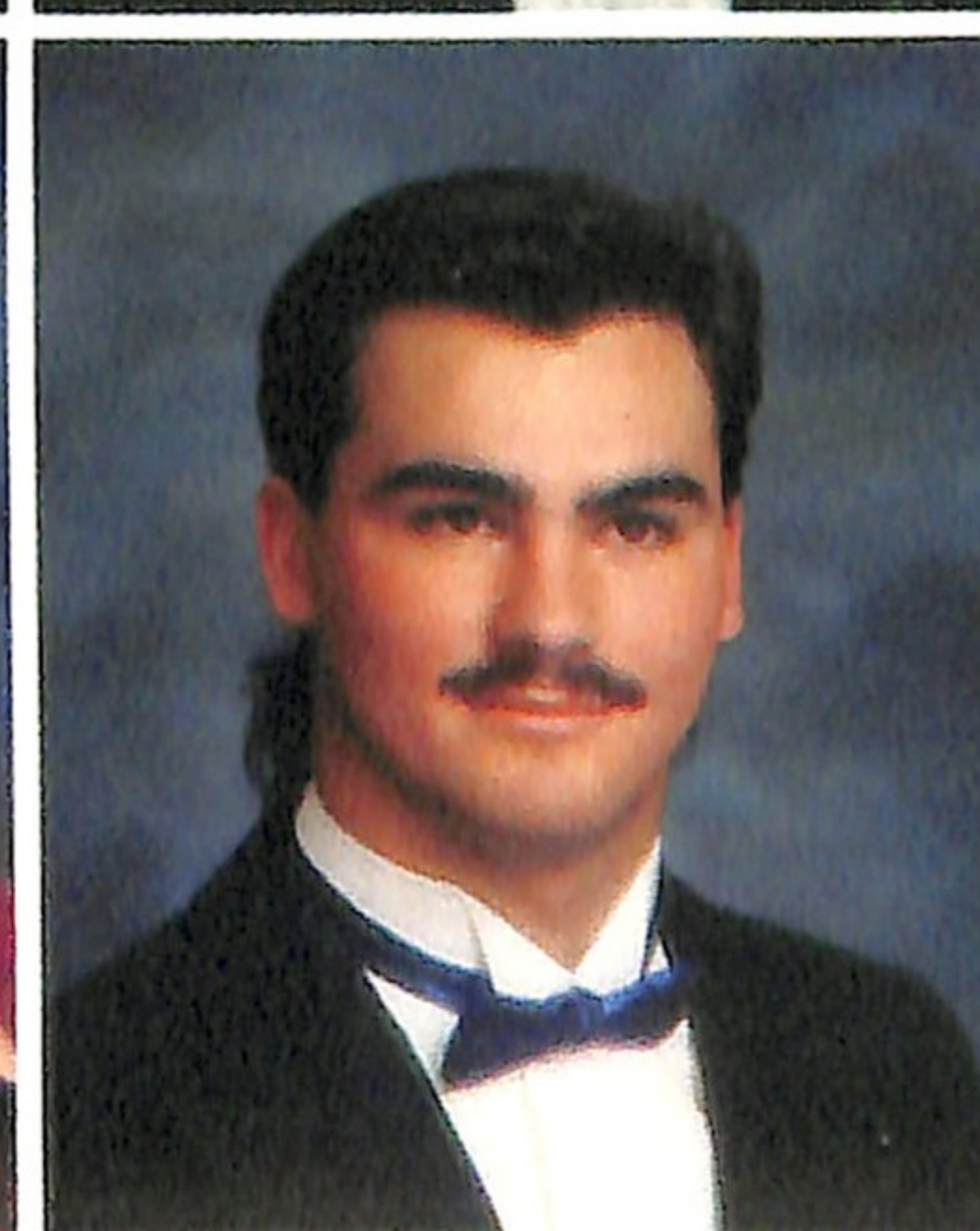
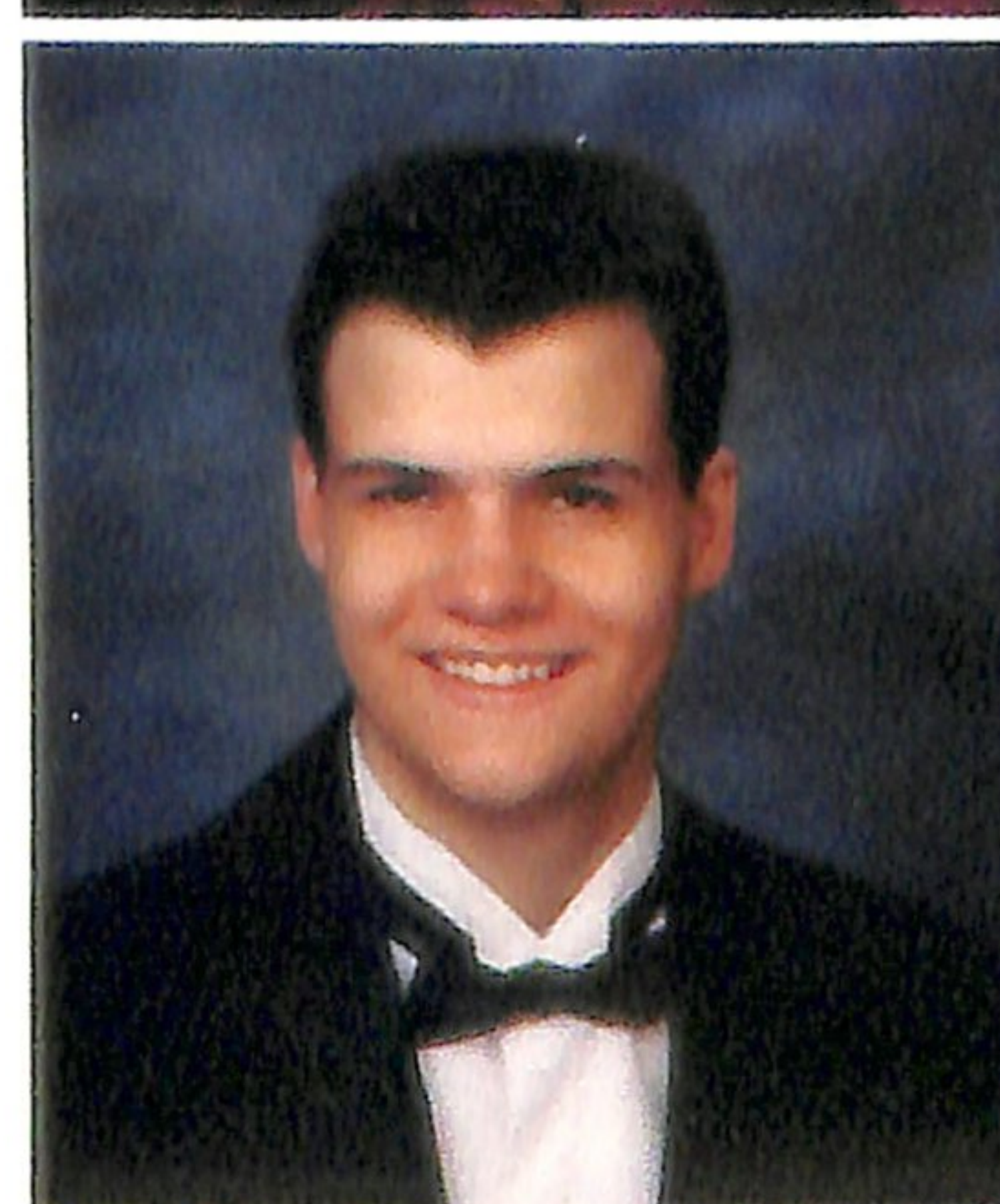
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Nathan Emmons
Teresa Esola





◆ During a game of paintball, Jason Parkhouse and Kevin McQuitty chase through the woods of Rockville Park after their opponents. They move very carefully just to avoid being tagged out.

▼ Below is Freshman Tanya Pickett gazing off while she should be learning about biology. She's dreaming of the day when she too will experience the joys of being a senior.



Wishes . . .

Who wouldn't want three wishes? Everyone has at least one secret wish or desire to keep their hopes high. Rosendo Ramirez says, "I wish I were never poor, but never too rich. I want to live a good life."

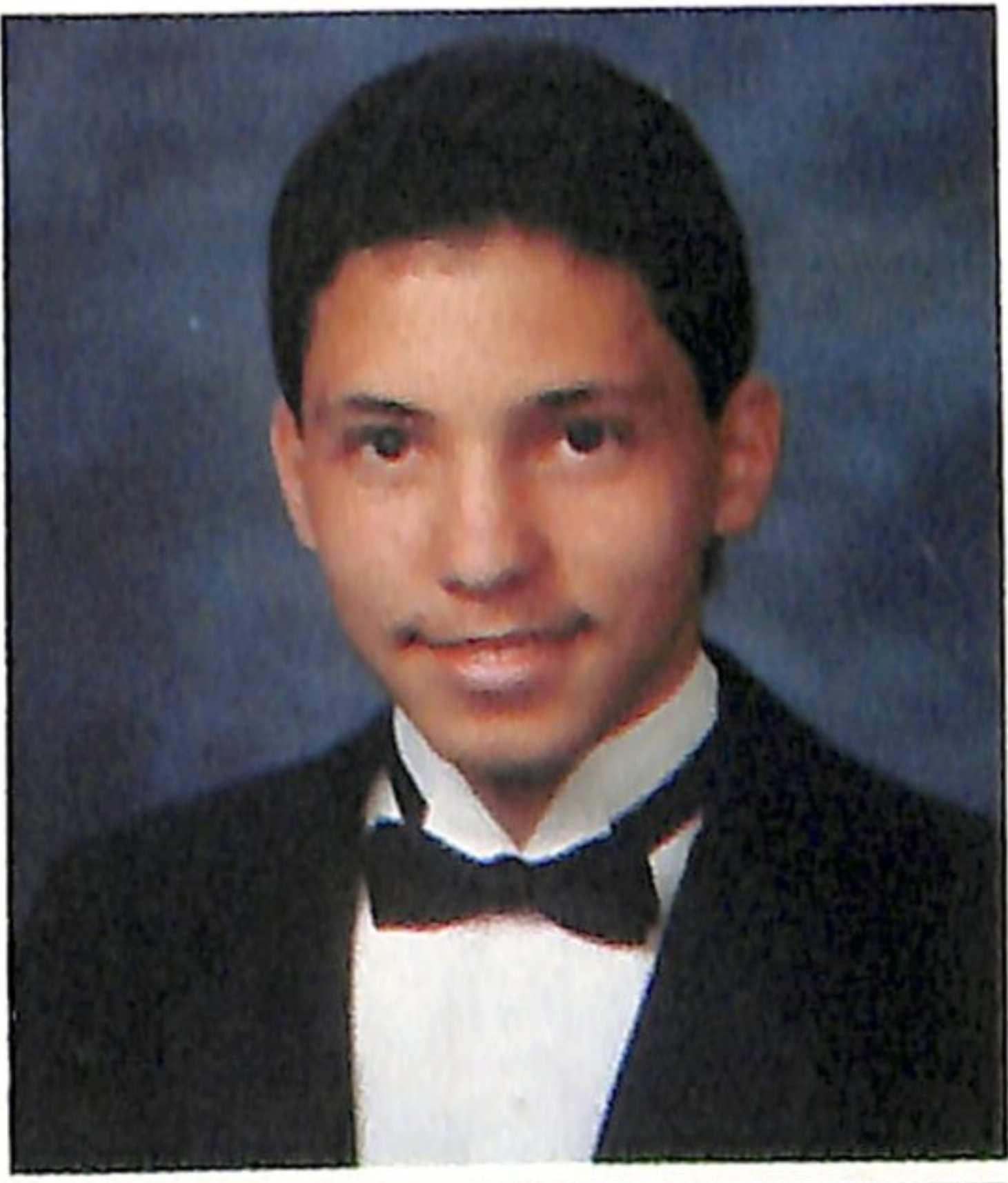
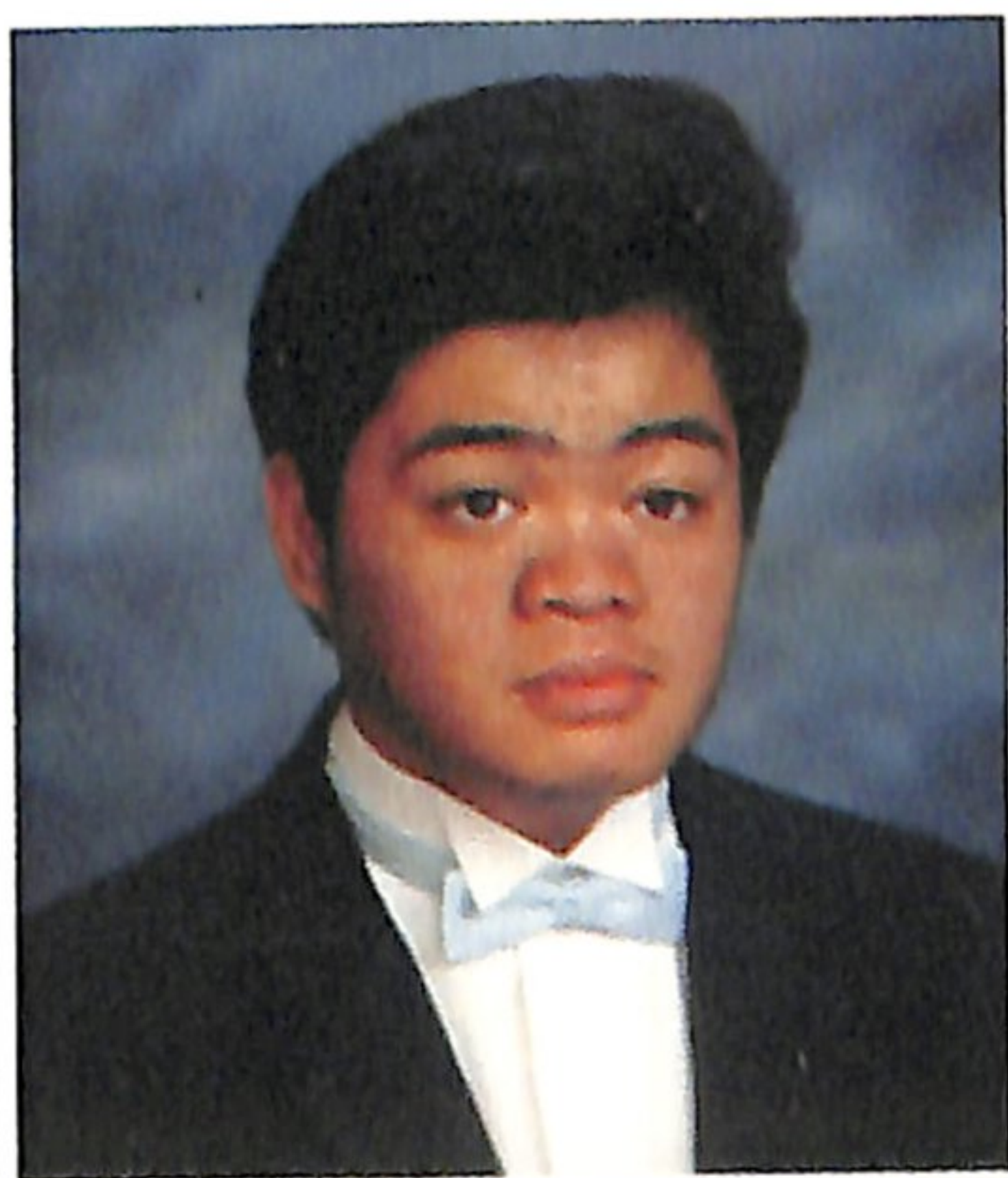
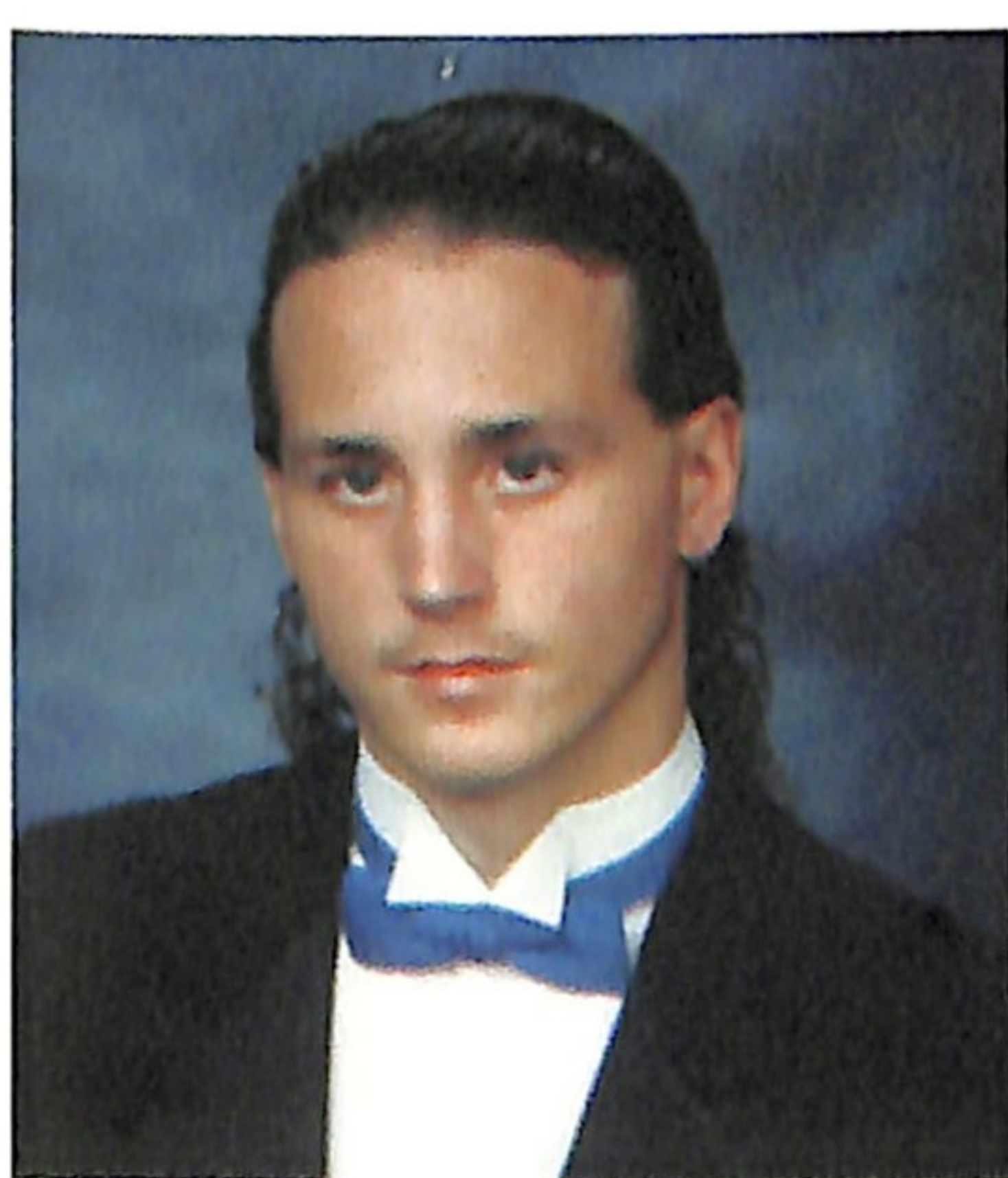
When things go wrong, wishes are the dynamite to get you moving again. They can act as goals to focus on. Dae Spering wishes she was "a millionaire or President of the United States." A lighter side of life can be found through wishing. "I wish I was married to Hammer because he is fine and seems very sweet and considerate," dreams Kristi Haniger. However, realistic hopes keep us close to home. "I wish I was employed," sighs Vikki Ellison, "I need money fast." Kristen Kriens states, "I hope I succeed through college because it will help me achieve my long term goals." "I wish I could travel around the world," says Tamisha Bronough. "I wish I could live my life without one single moment of loneliness or sorrow," dreams Joani Thomas. Ian Ulibarri wishes he could be "a rock star."

Without wishes where would we be? Each wish is different and all dreams are special. Some typical wishes were: peace on earth, to be rich and famous, and to find cures for all the deadly diseases.

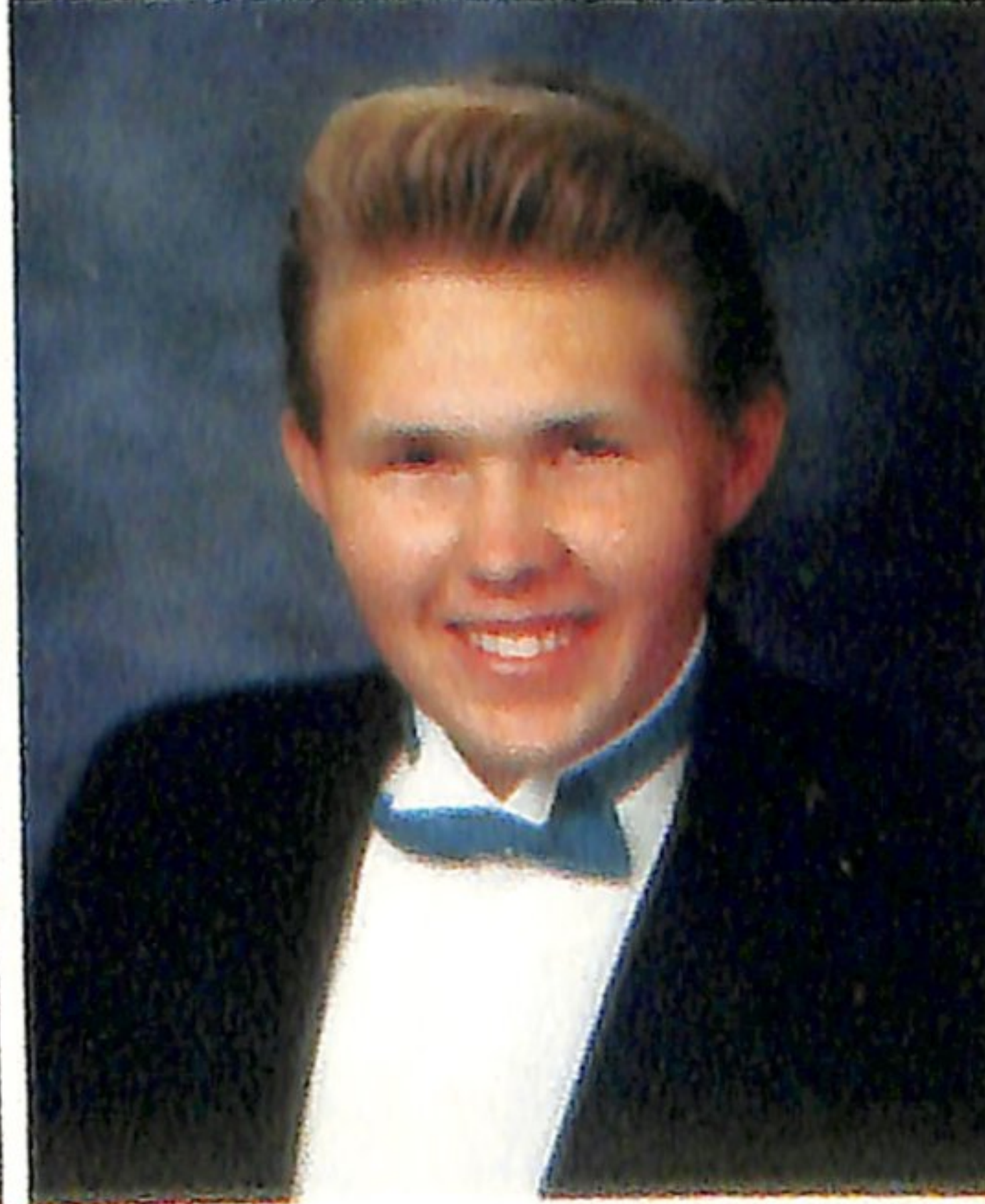
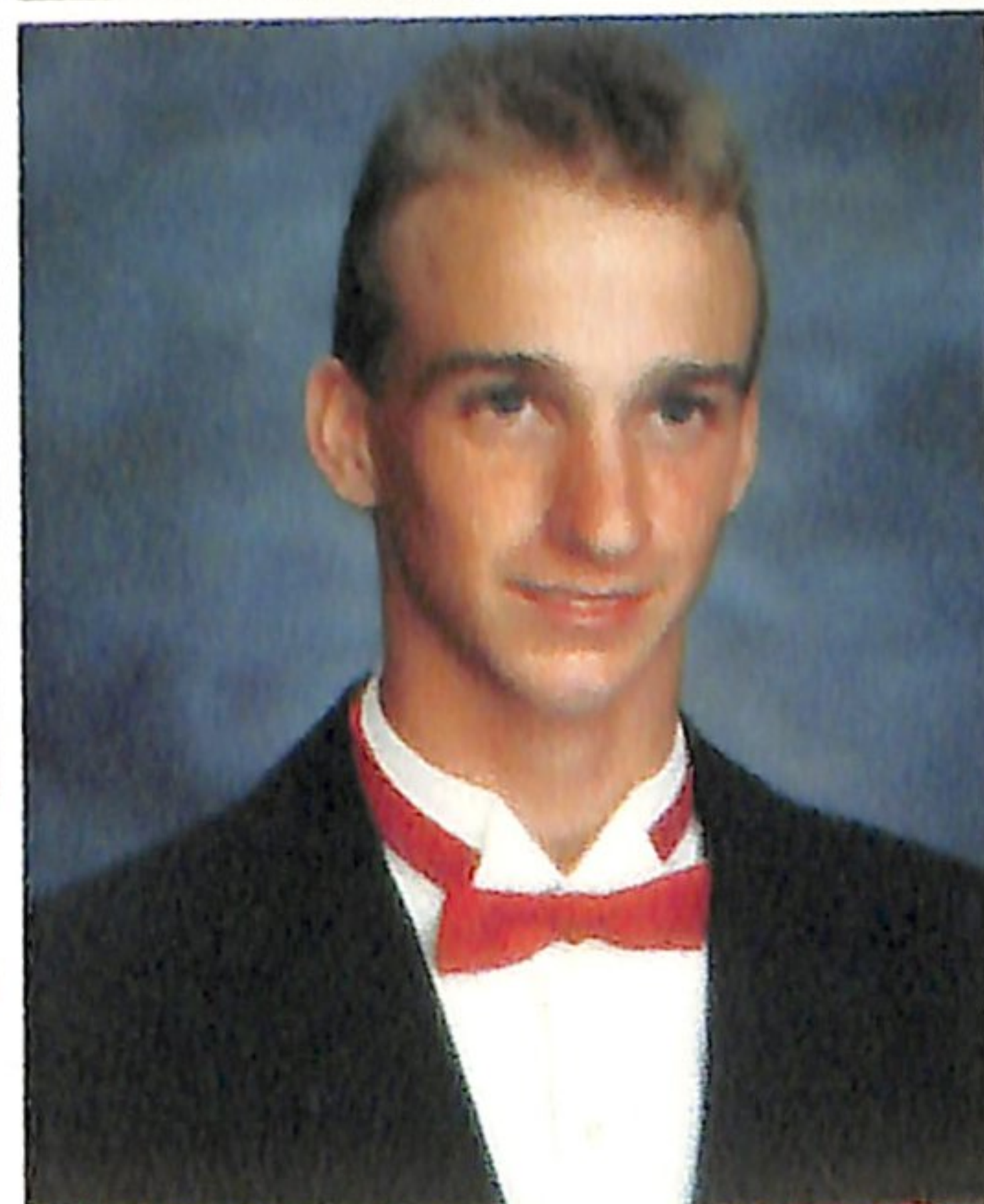
"In school we are taught too much logic. Why not be a little creative and dream a little more?" Mr. Alan Larson advised his students. So don't be afraid to wish for something. If you wish hard enough, it just might come true. All you have to do is go after them. "We all have the power to dream, but only the strong have the power to go after them," says Beckie Baver.

Dreams and wishes will always be a part of our lives, because a wish is where it all starts.

“I wish I could live my life without one single moment of loneliness or sorrow.” - Joani Thomas



Matt Esrock
Anselmo Felomin
Angel Figueroa
Stephanie Finley



Chastine Fish
Eric Flanagan
Melissa Flores
Glenn Flygare

After Dark

As we talk with our friends about the upcoming night's events, we realize that the daytime is for planning. "I get to school early so I can make my way around the parking lot and find out where all the parties are," says Senior Shannon Thomas. Most students go to parties on the weekend because parties provide a safe place for teens to meet and hang out. However, on some weekends everyone's parents are home, and needless to say there are no parties. We need not fear boredom though, because there are many activities to entertain us. "Concerts are great if you have the money," says Senior Chris Luthy. "You can see your favorite artists and you can pit dance your hearts out." Besides concerts there are the movies, bowling, cruising and hanging out at a friend's house. Joanne Barber says, "I like to rent movies, make popcorn and invite my close friends over. It is reasonably cheap and it is safe so my parents don't have to worry about where I am."

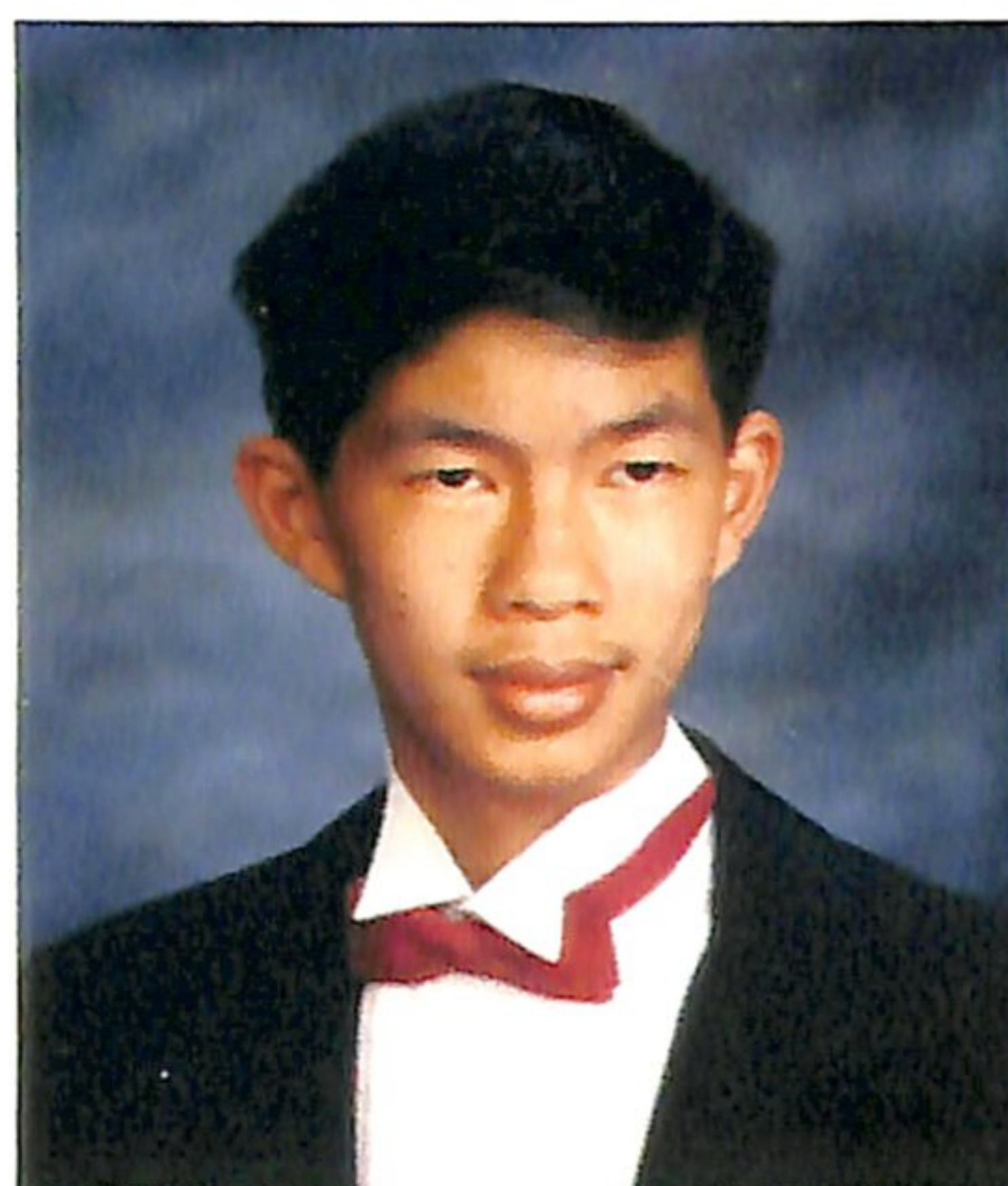
Although cruising is discouraged, some students continued to drive those notorious two miles. "It's too bad the cruise was banned, it was a great way to meet people," says Gloria Hammad.

No matter how much fun we have at school, students will always look forward to parties, friends, fun and weekend nightlife.

Mrs. Skinner and all of her cheerleaders show off the latest fashions in sleepware at the cheerleading slumber party. The group celebrates a long weekend of tough competition at cheerleading camp with pizza. "The last night of camp was fun because I got to catch up with the latest gossip and munch on pizza with my friends," said Becky Estrada.



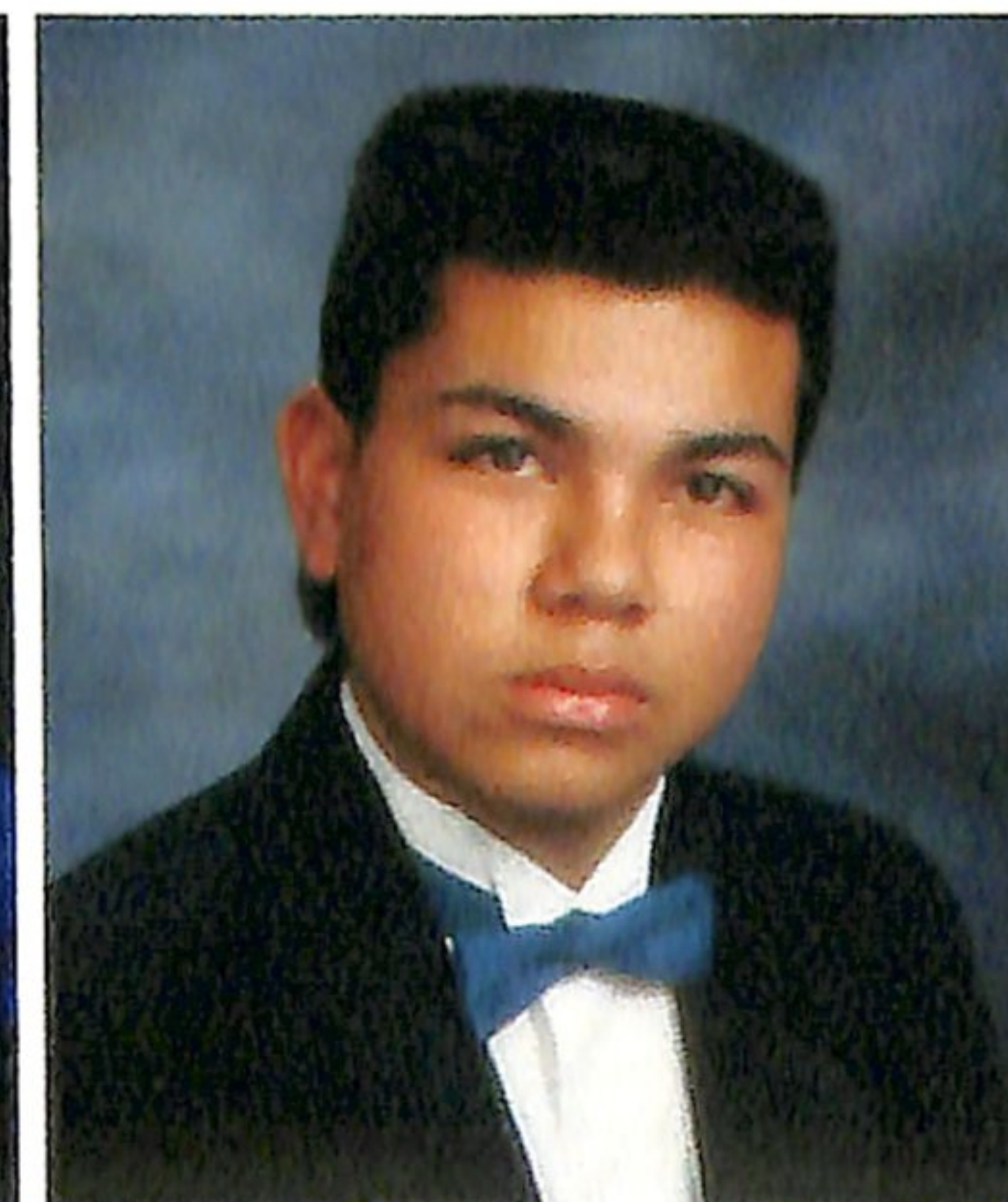
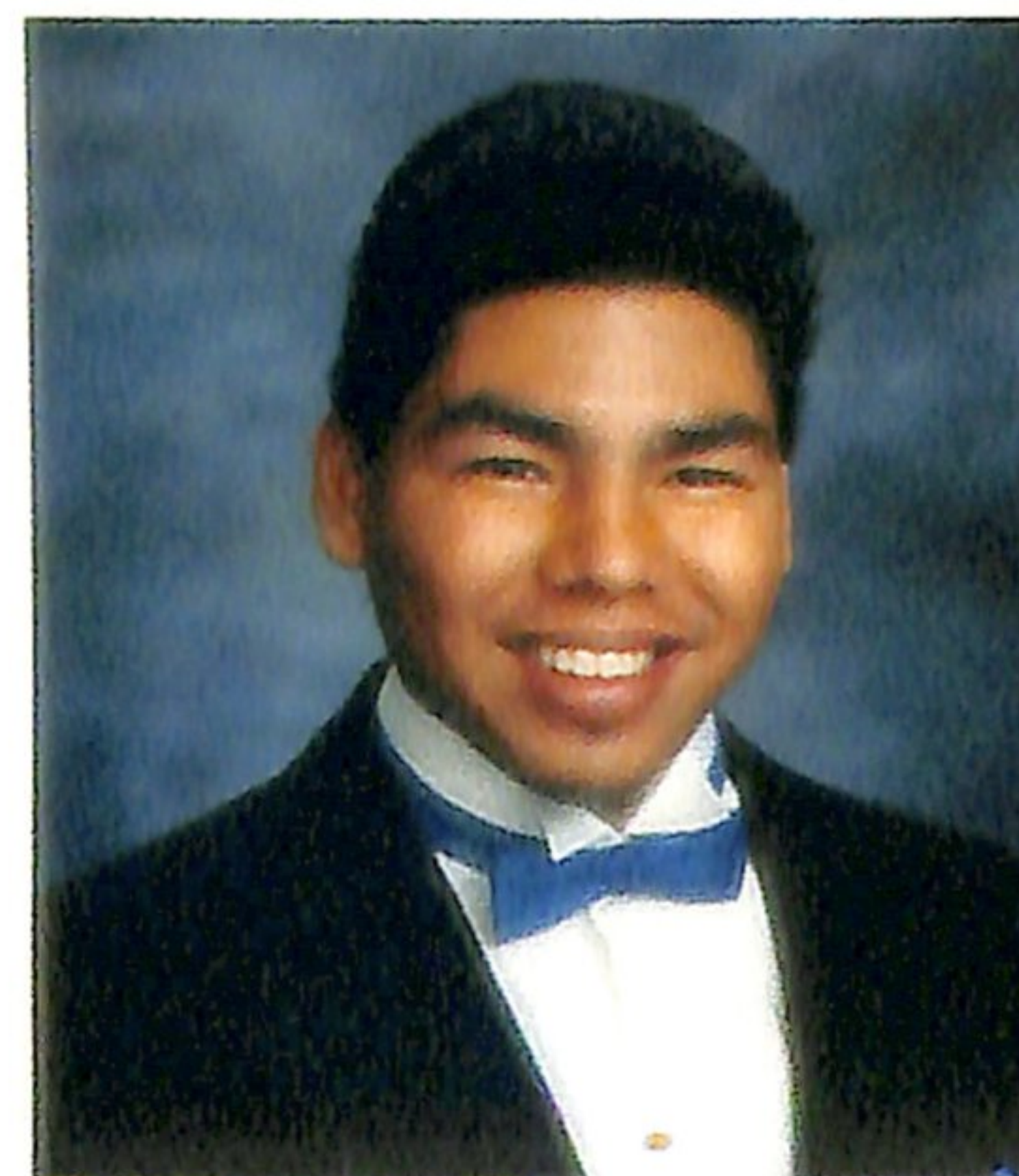
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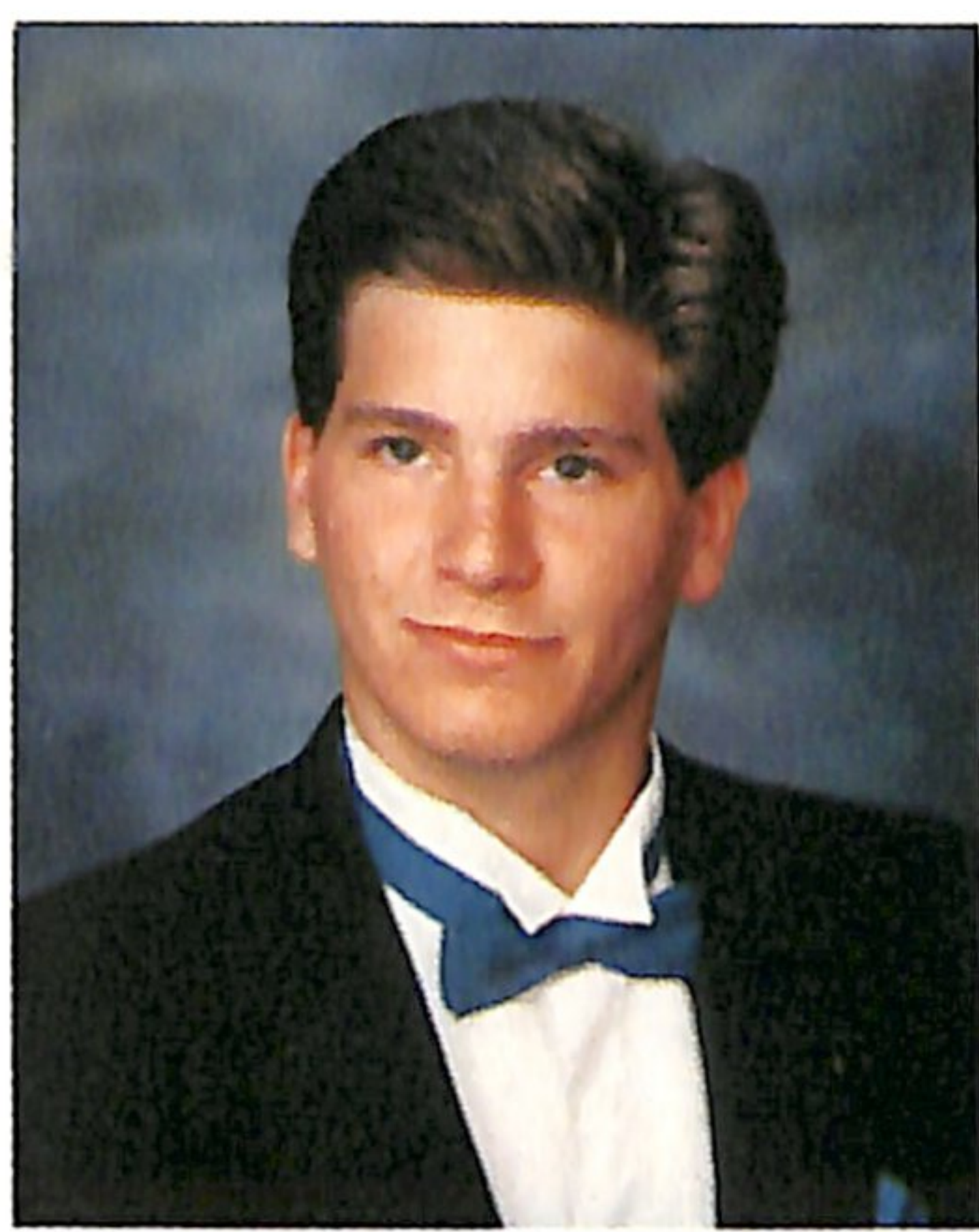


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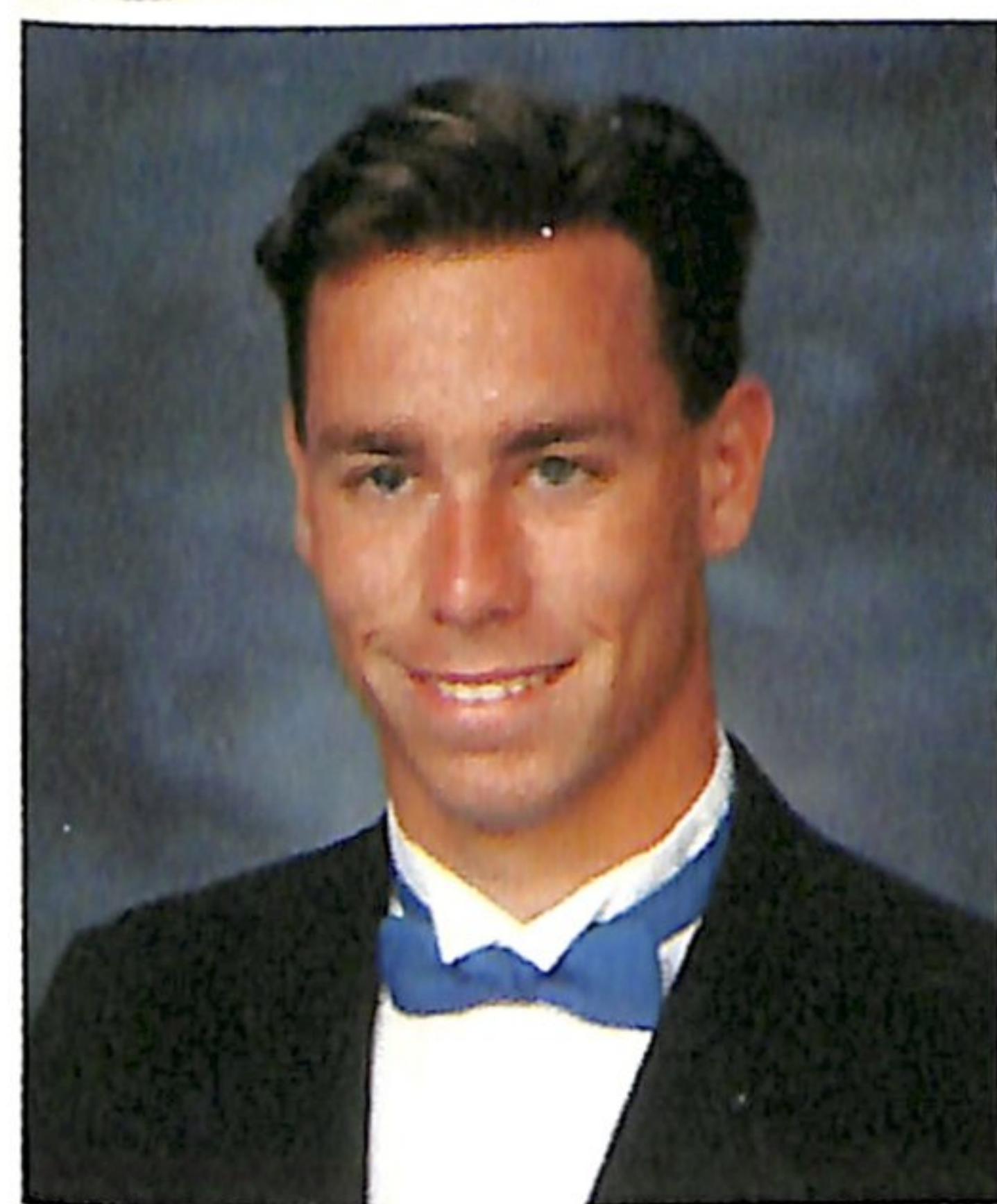


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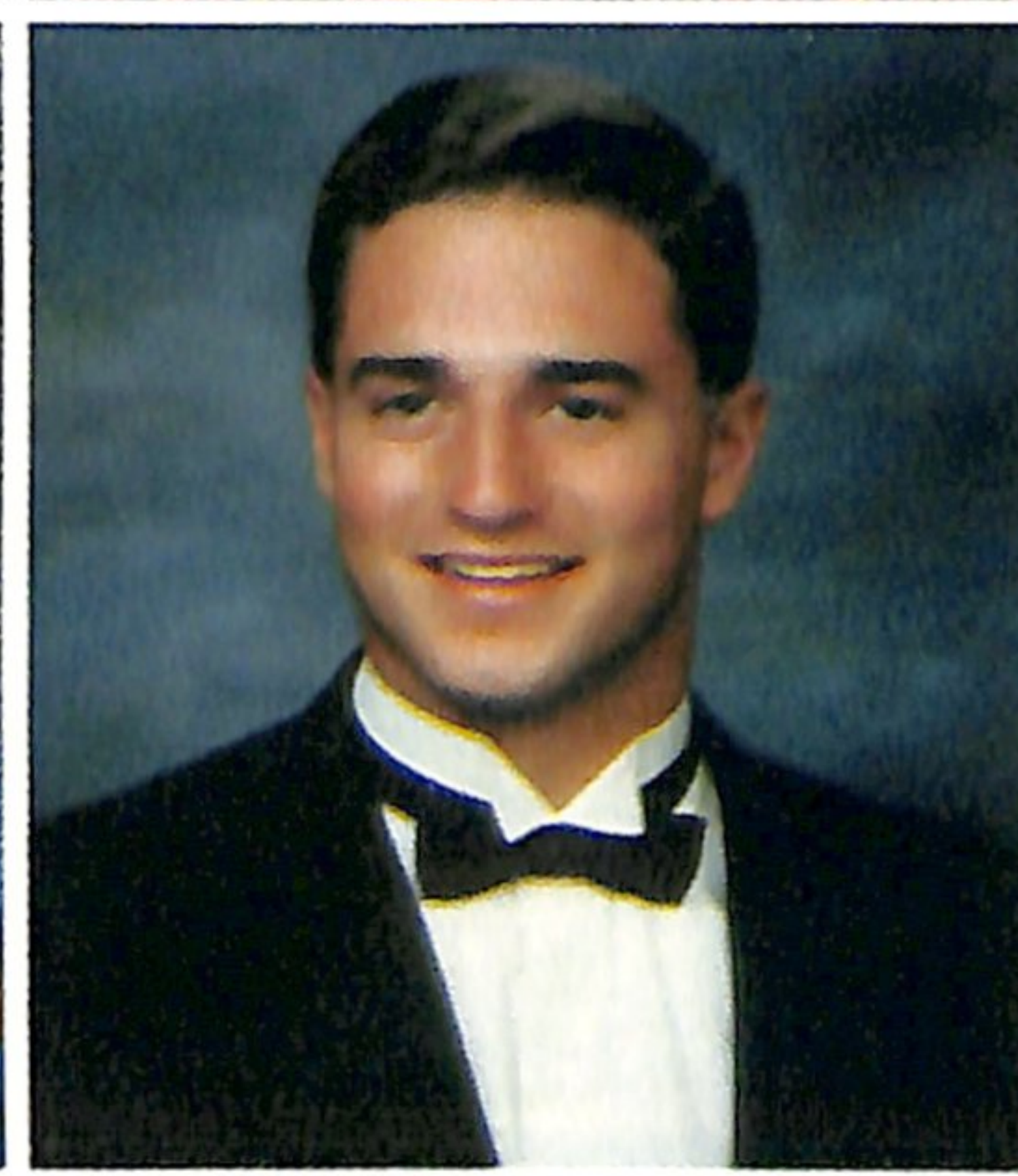




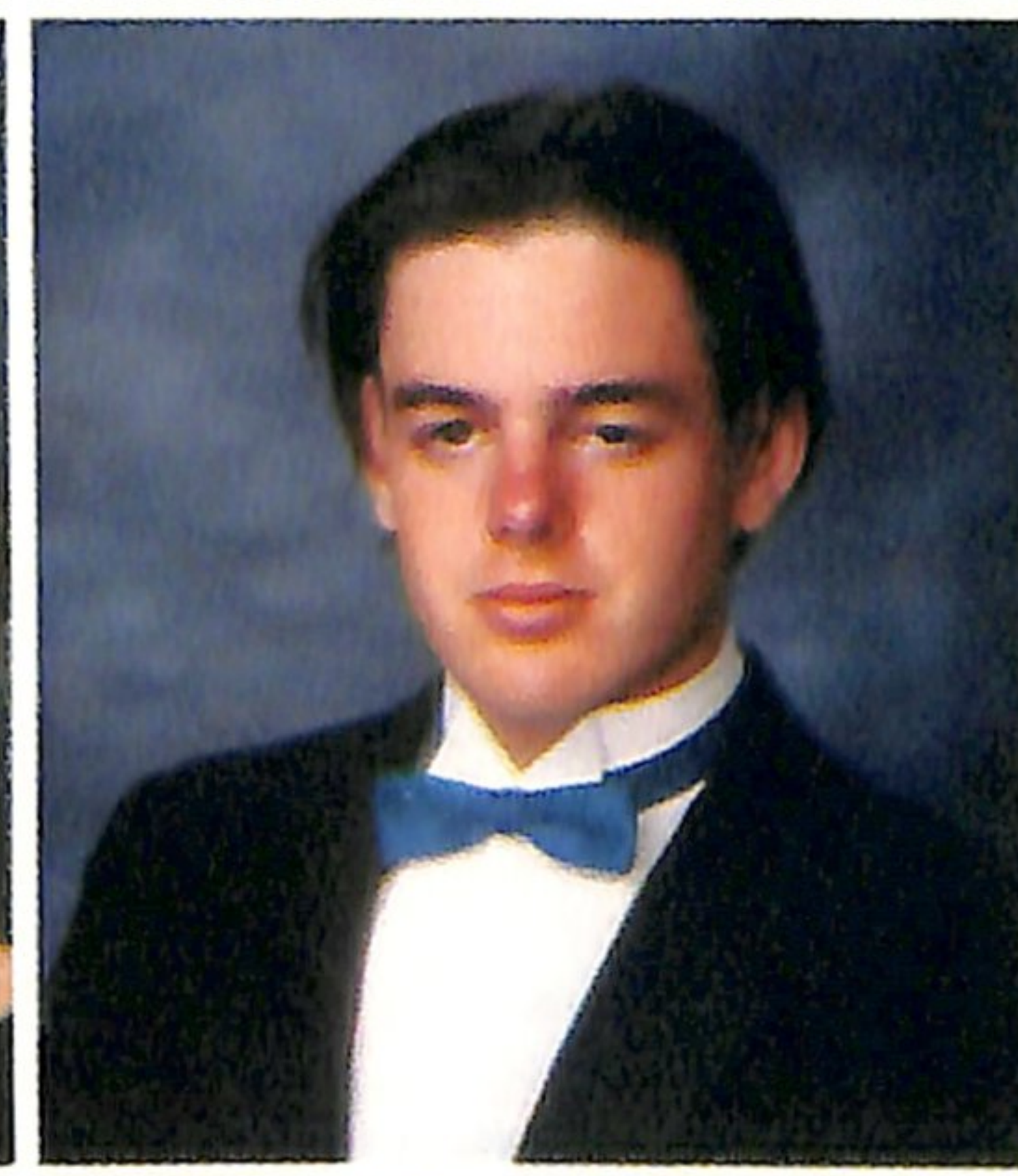
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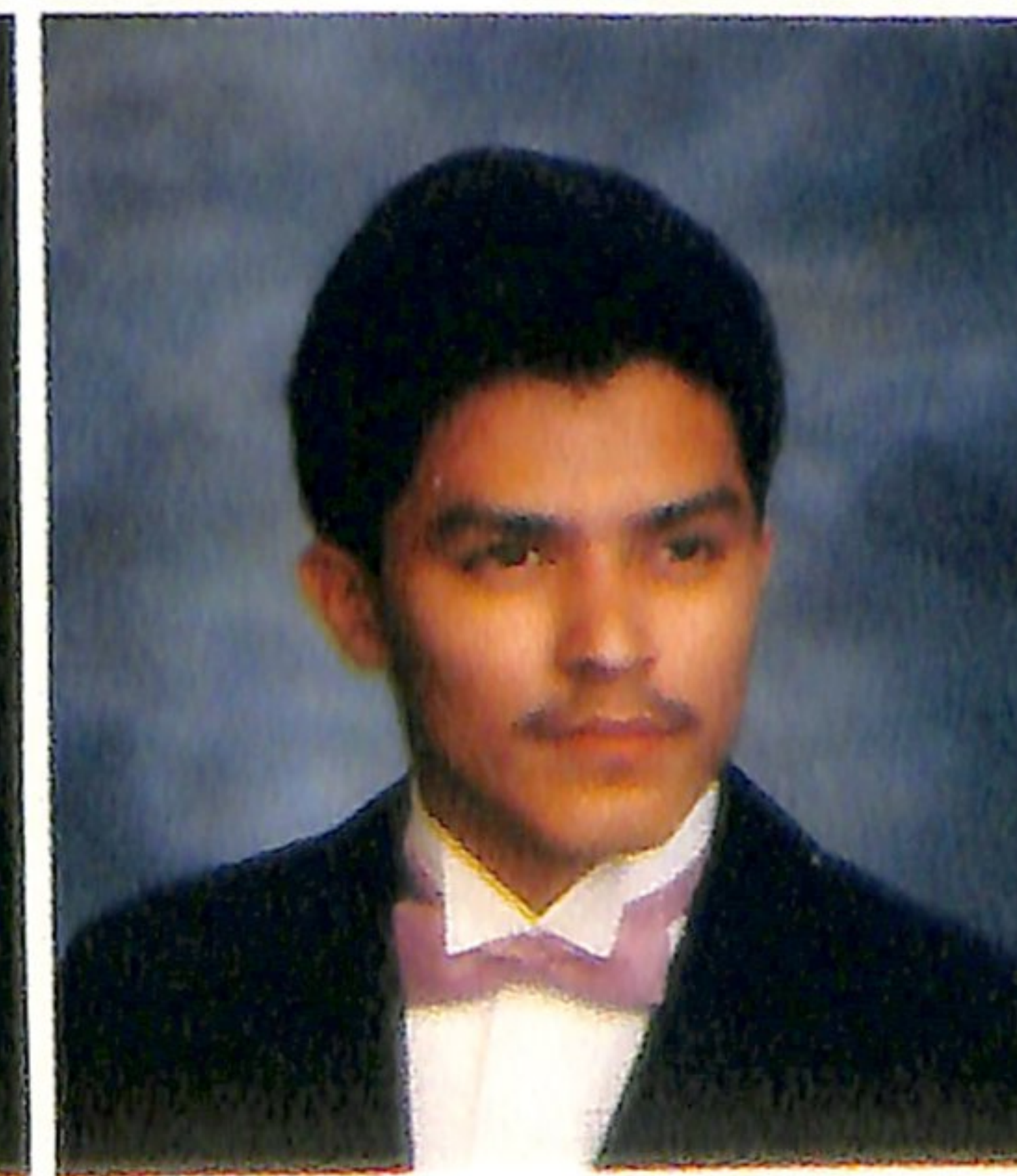
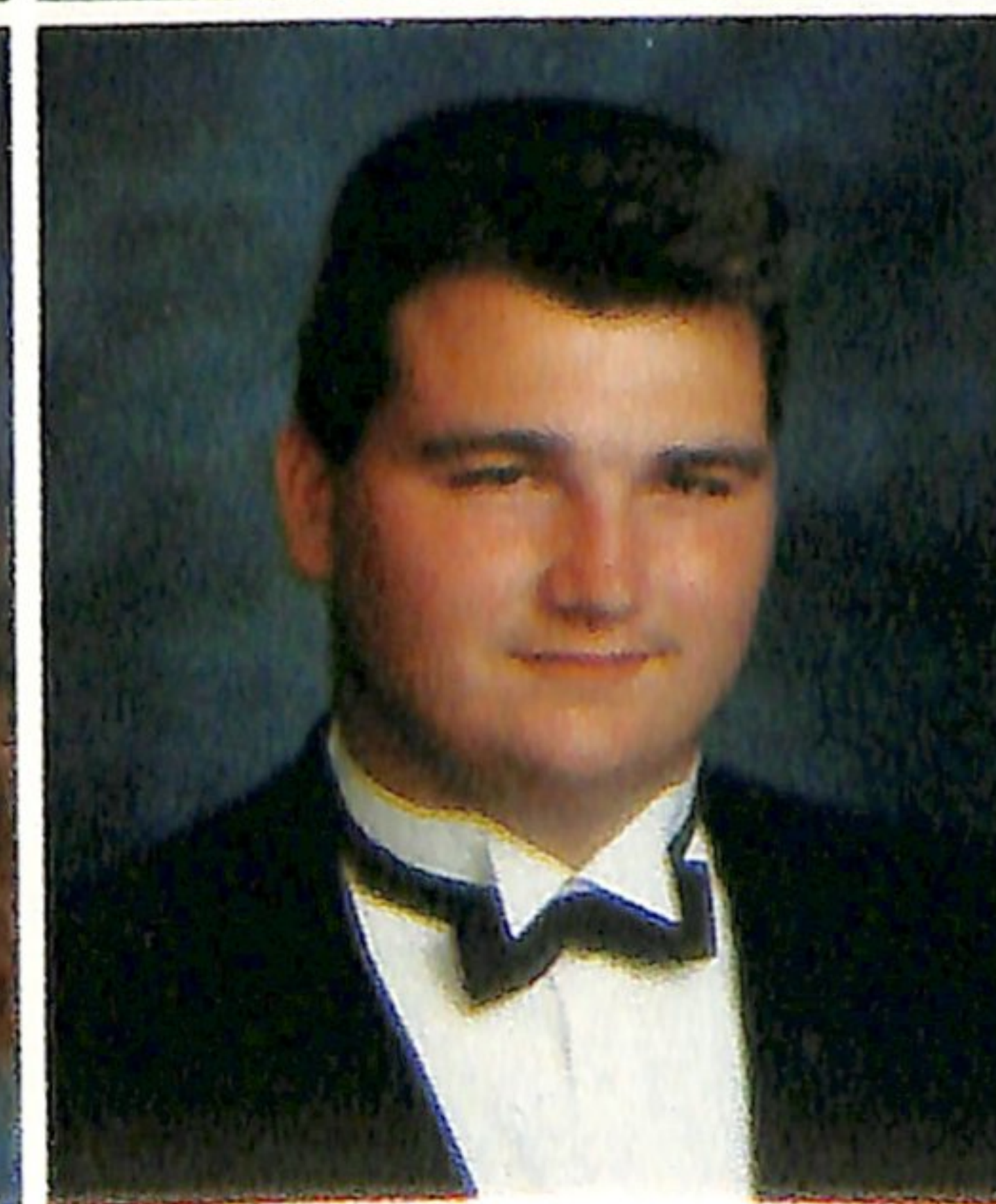
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 Roseanne Guerra
 Kenneth Gullion
 Luis Gutierrez

Excuses

xactly half a minute to get to class and right when one gets to the door, the final bell rings. That means it is time to use a quick and ingenious excuse to talk one's way out of the tardy tank.

Throughout the year, the Senior Class used numerous excuses when late to class. One of the most common excuse used when late to class is, "I had car problems."

Since excuses have become a part of high school life, teachers could tell the difference between the truth and a phony excuse. When one walked into a class and told the teacher, "My car broke down," the teacher may have allowed them to stay in class, but if the students eyes gave them away then the plan backfired.

The underclassmen did not have it as easy as the seniors did this year. It is time for them to work on coming up with new excuses. Here are some "first-class" excuses used this year.

"My car stopped in the middle of a four-way intersection and refused to start," was an excuse Gerona Goethe used quite often.

Kirsten Sanderson's famous excuse was, "On my way to school, I saw a burning building and stopped to help the people trapped inside."

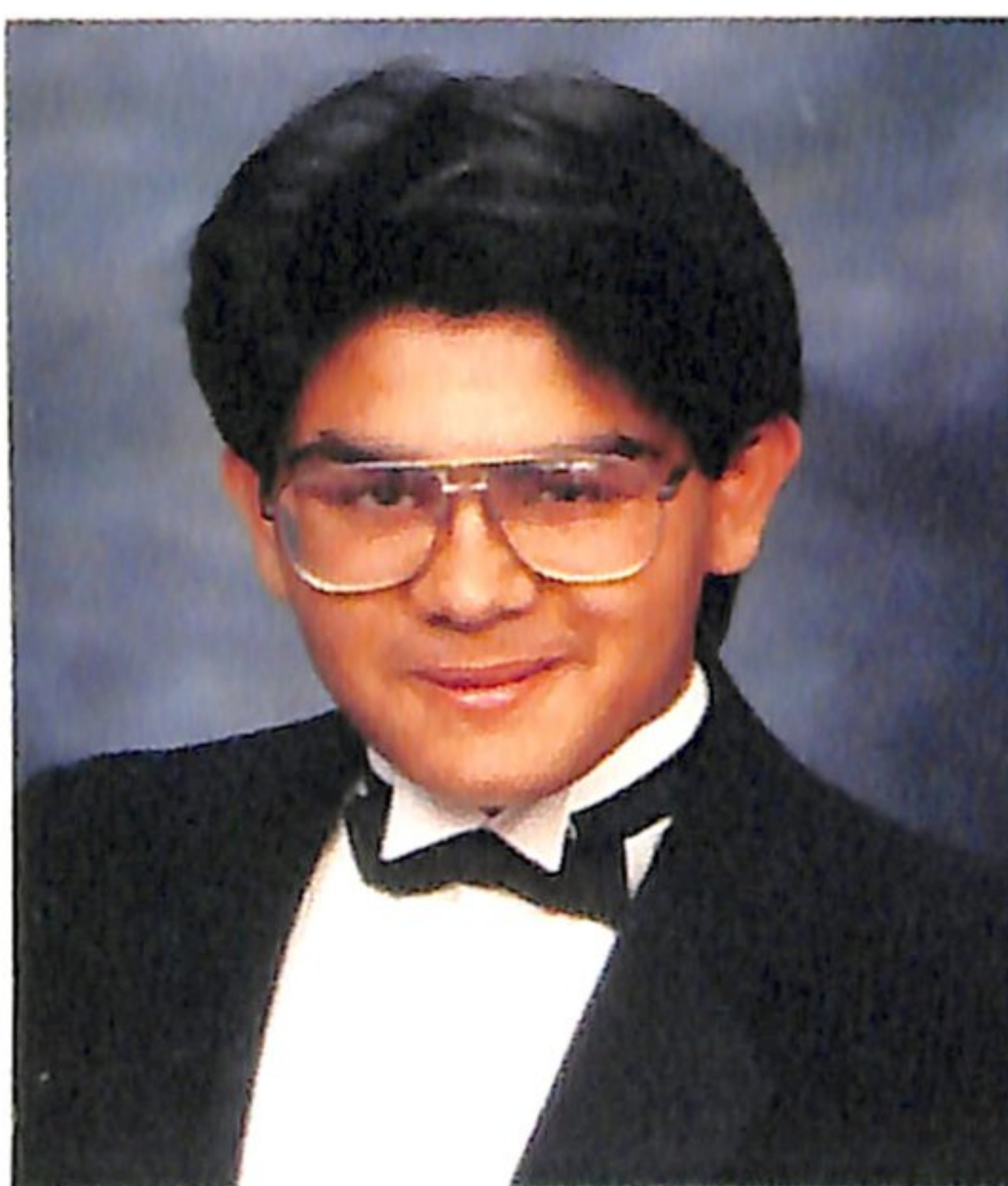
"On the way to school, I got a flat tire," was one of the excuses Audrey Hogan used.

Excuses like these and many others are a necessity in surviving senior year. Study these examples carefully, so that you can create your own when the need for an excuse is imminent.

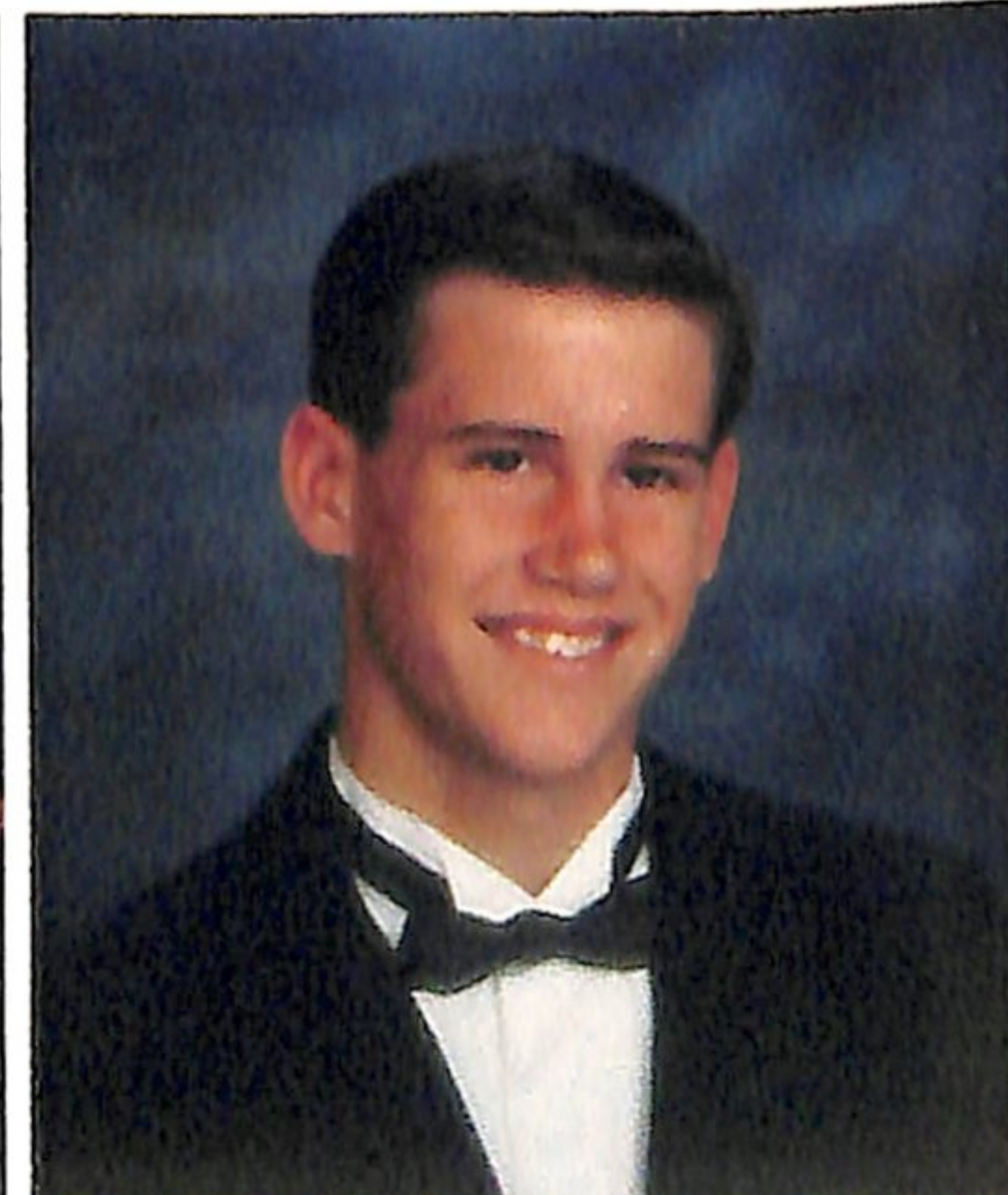
◆ Mr. Lambrecht sends Chris Luthy on his way to the tardy tank despite his efforts to explain. Mr. Lambrecht said, "I won't let anyone late in class because being on time is a responsibility." The tardy tank helps motivate students to be on time.



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Jason Hall
Stephen Hall

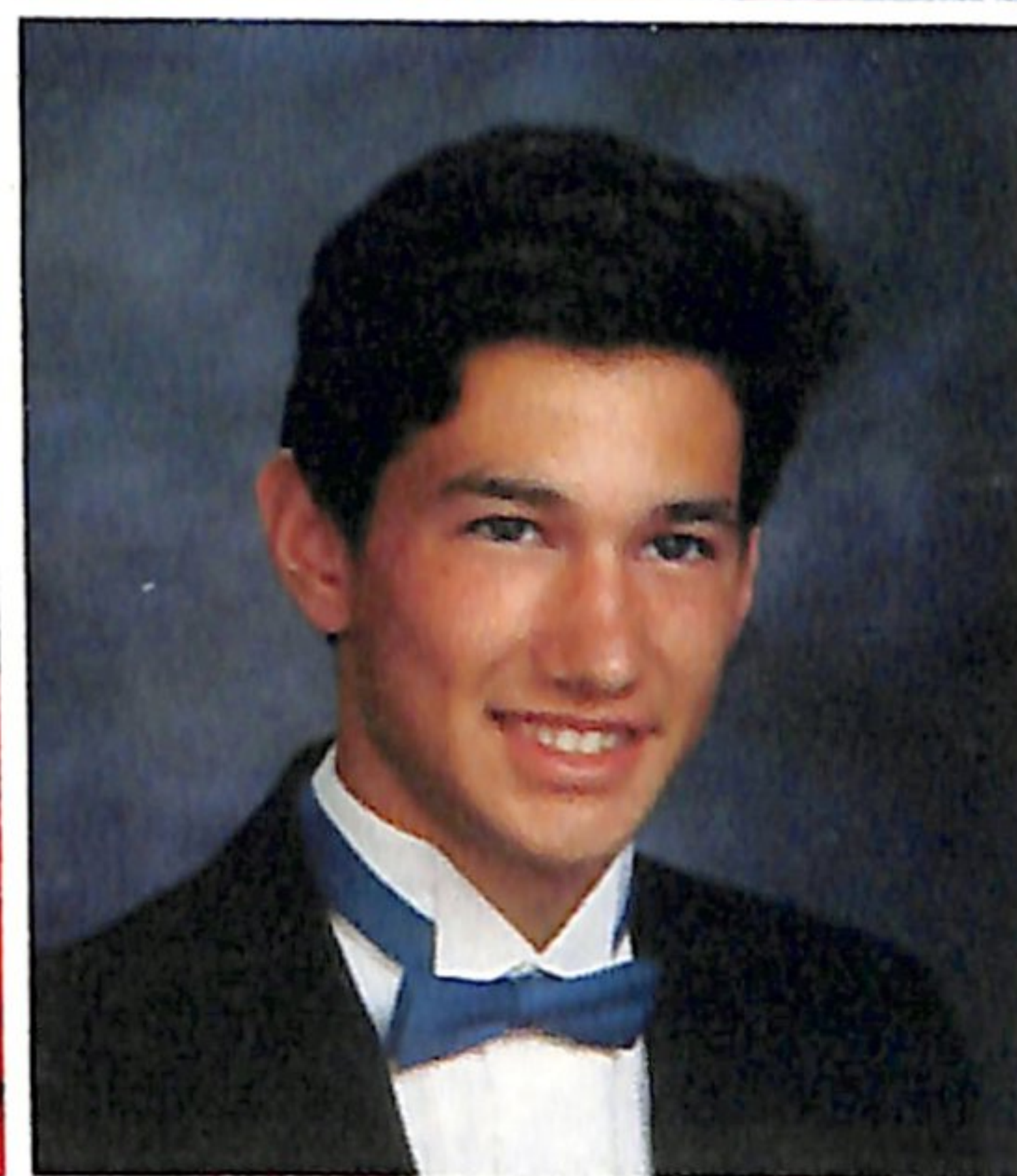


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Robert Harris





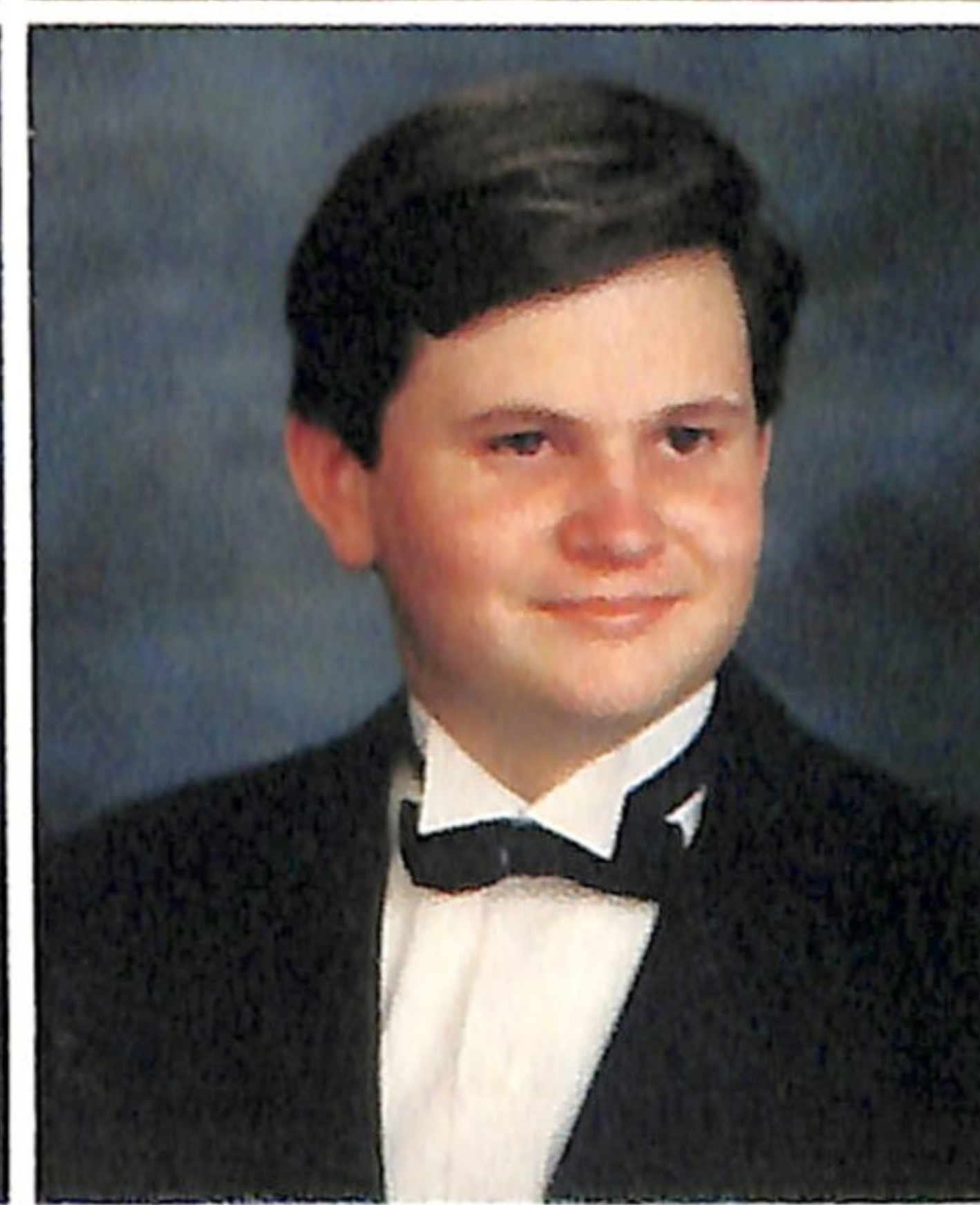
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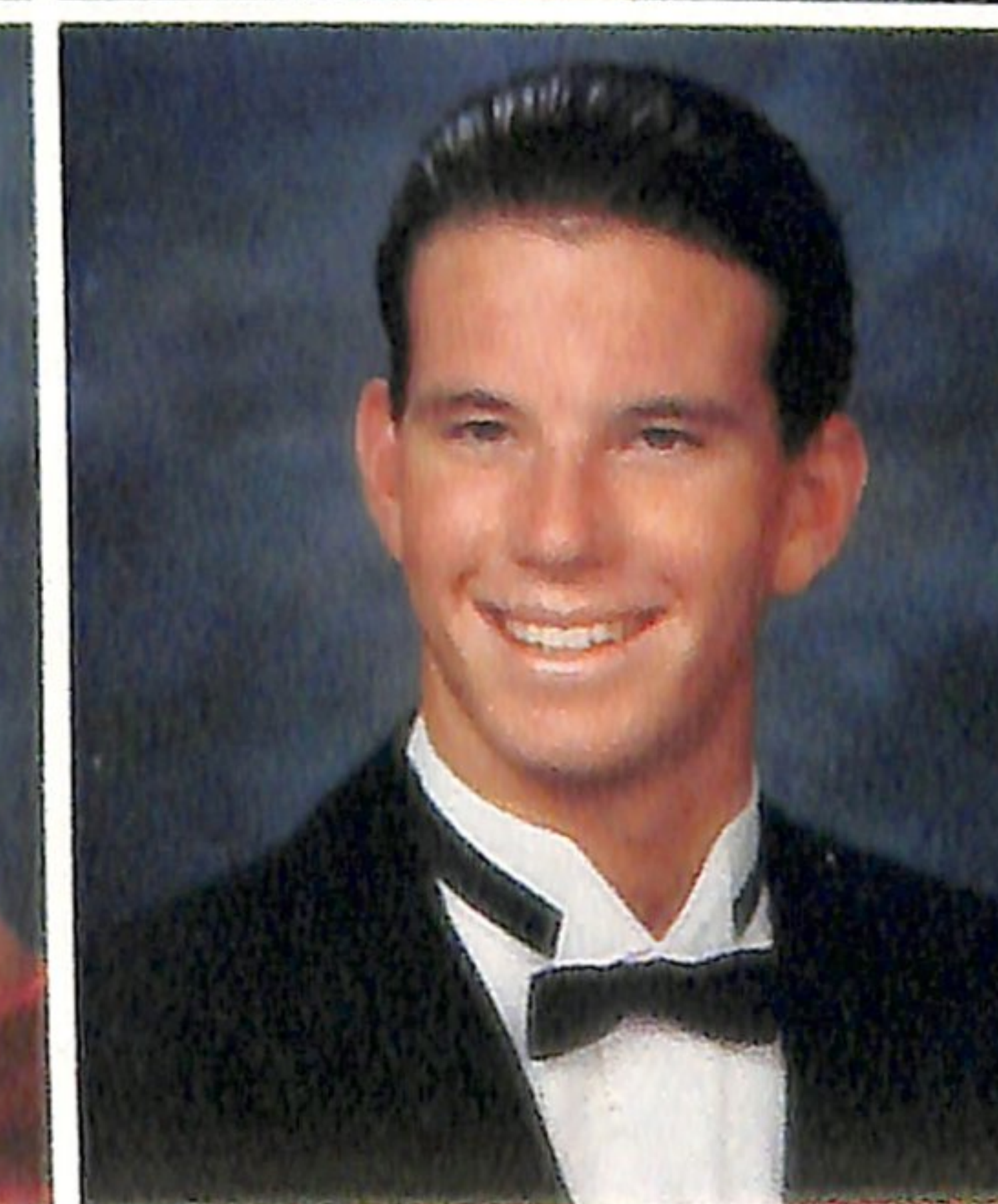
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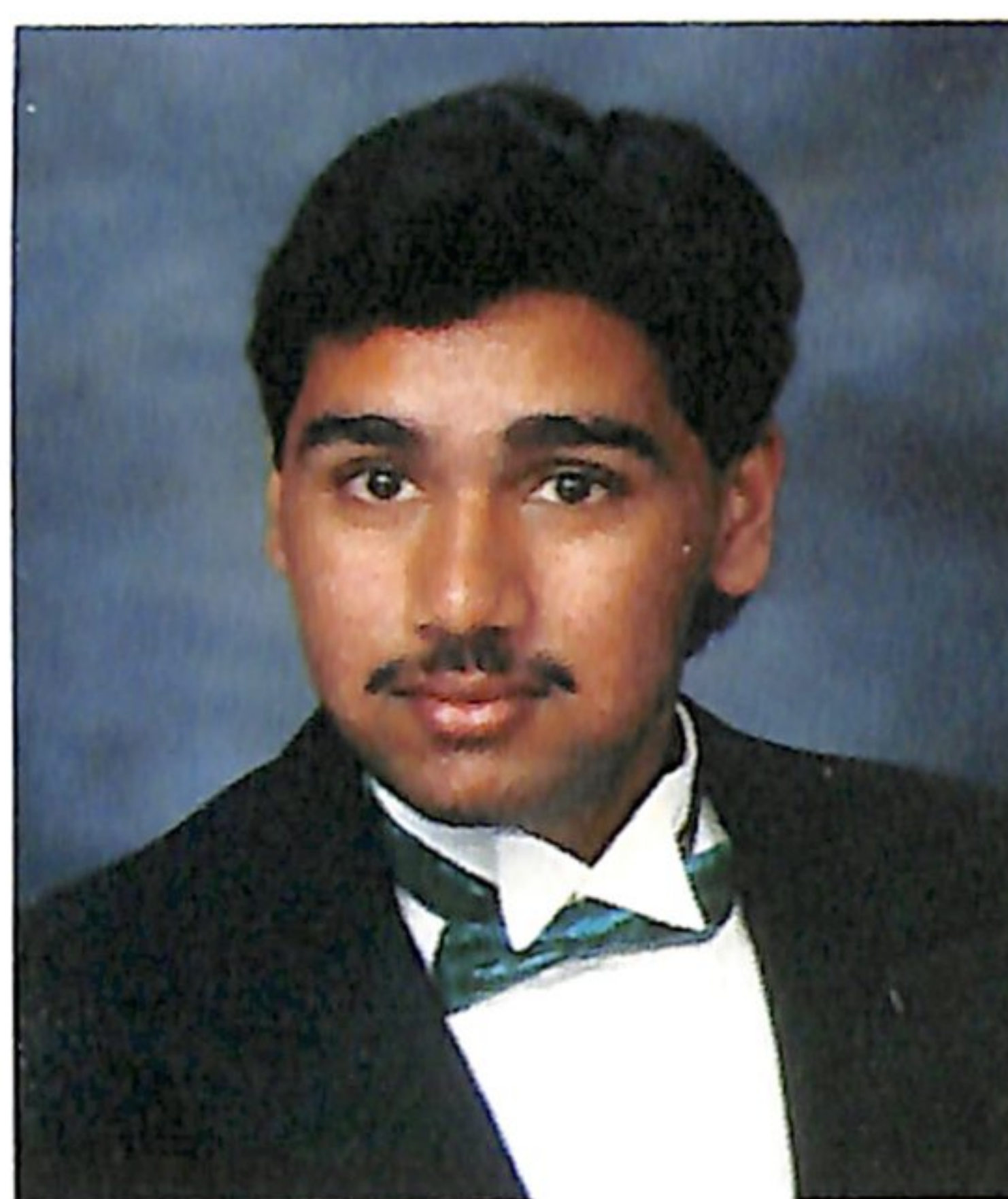
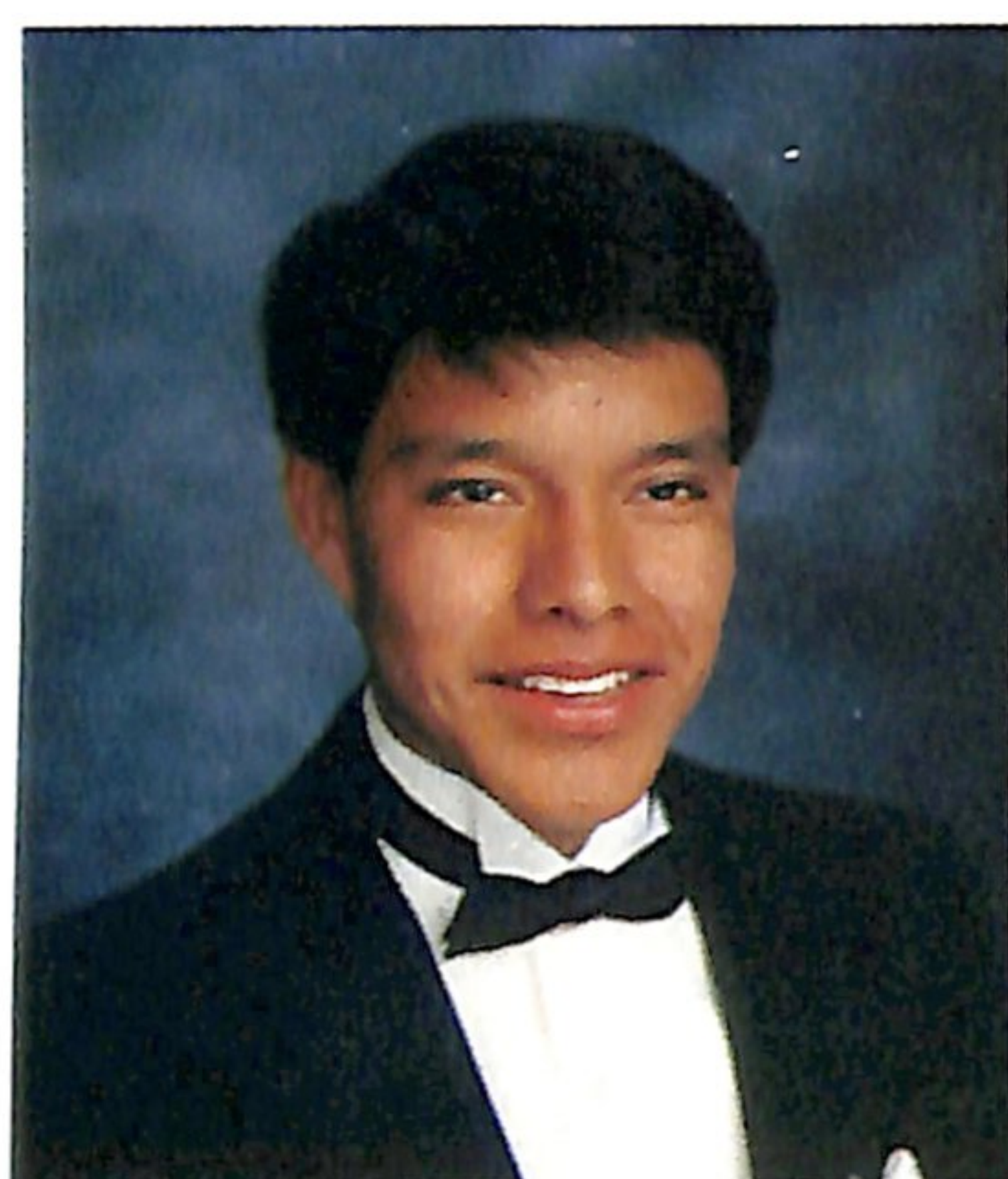


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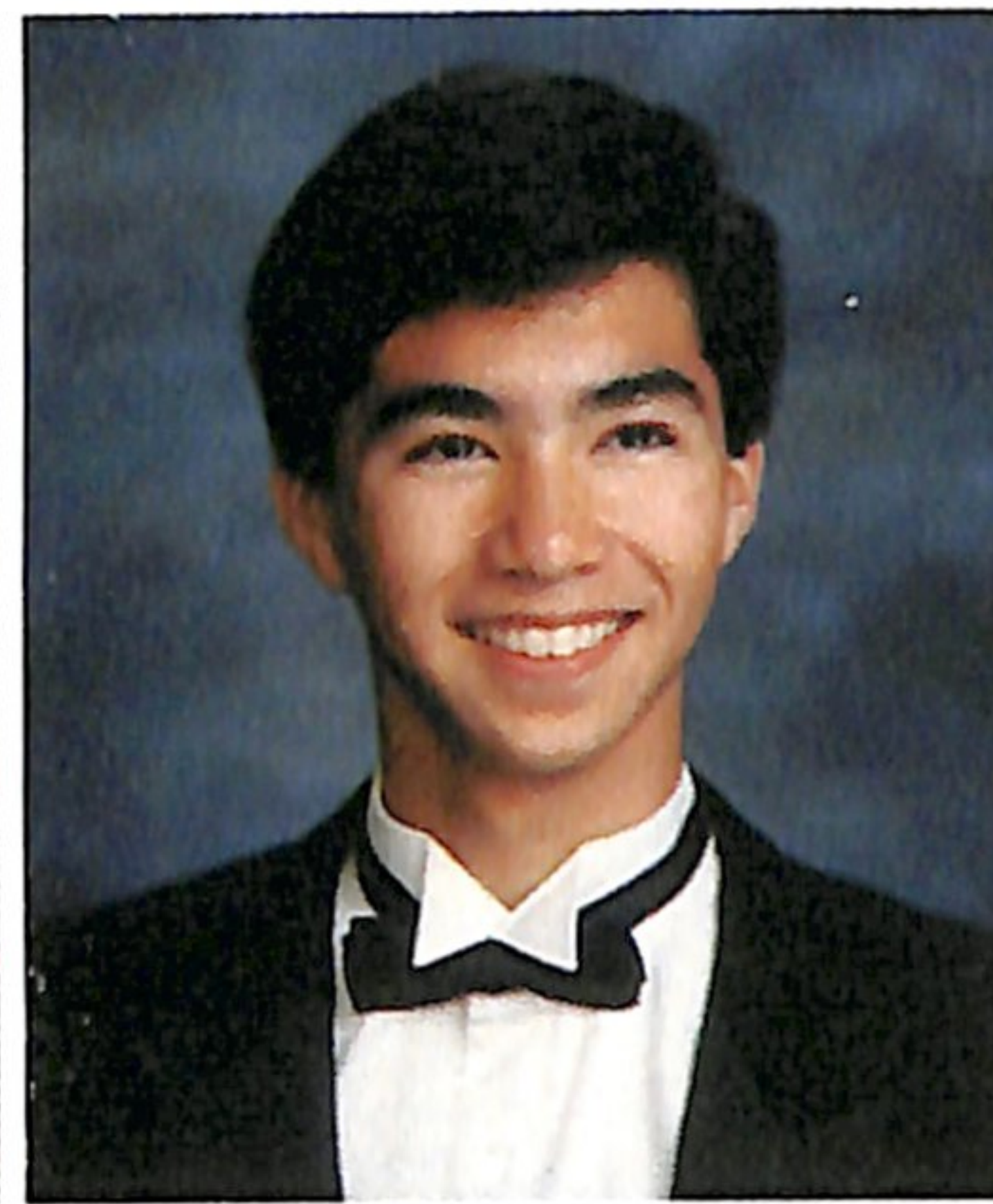


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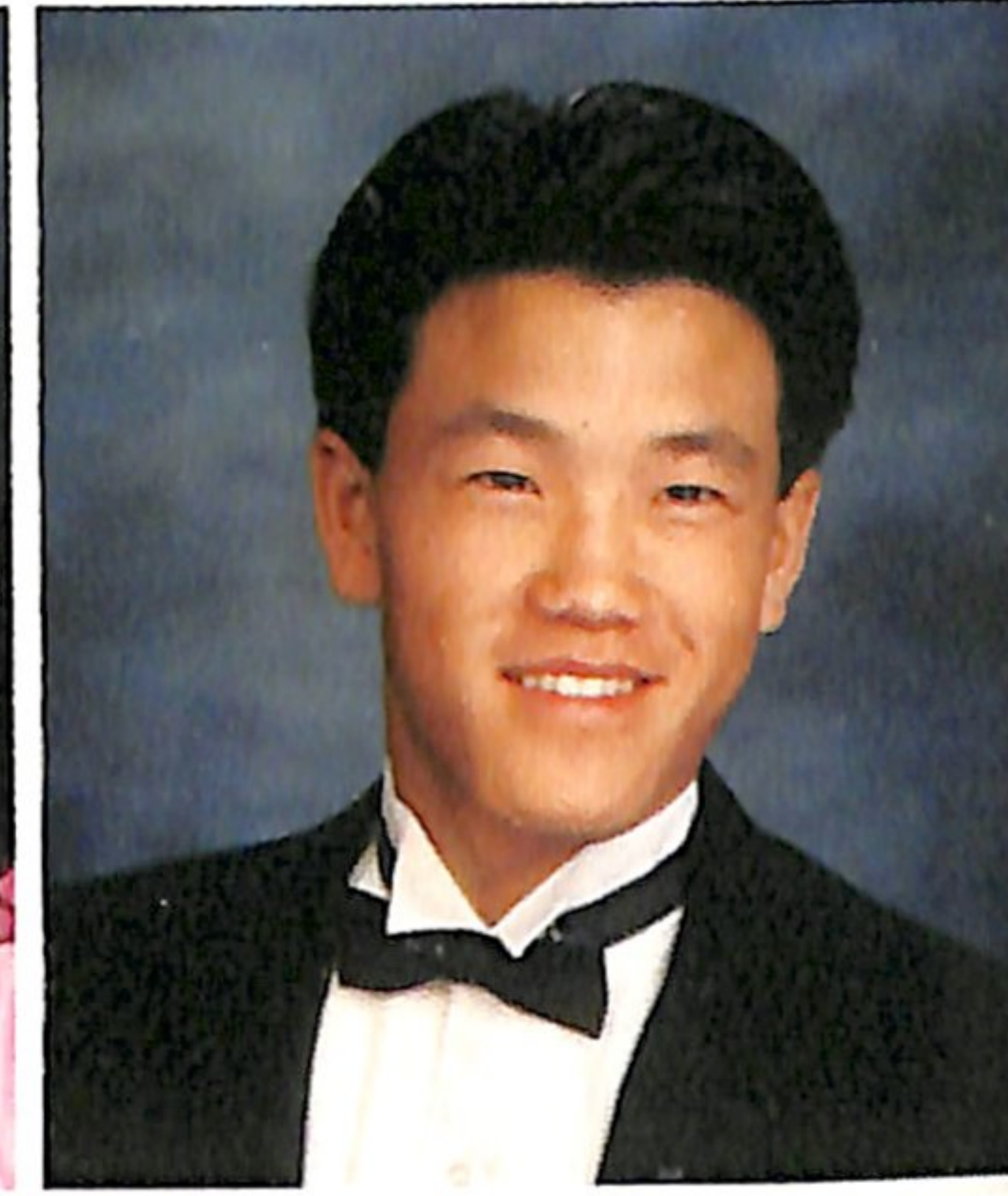
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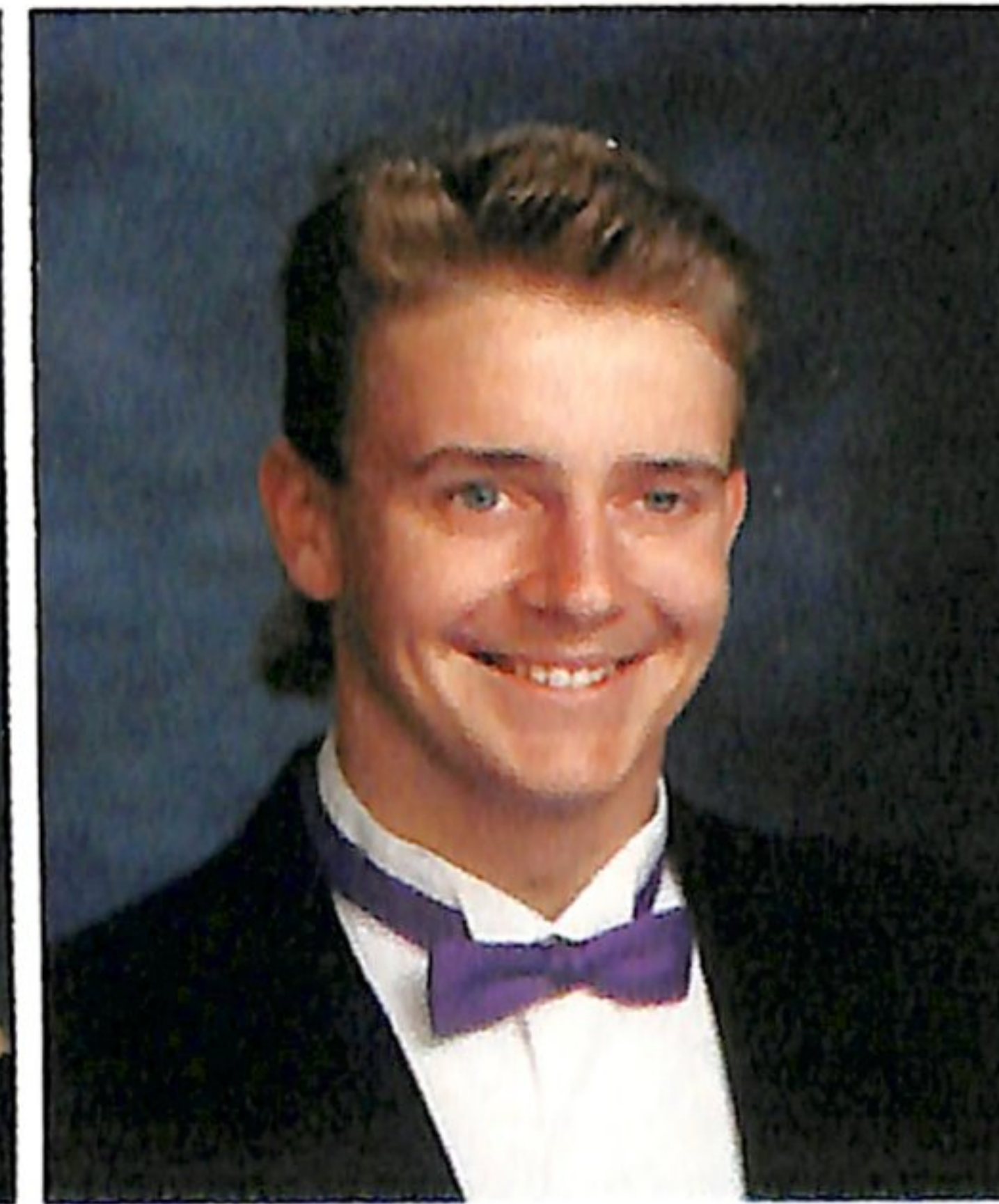
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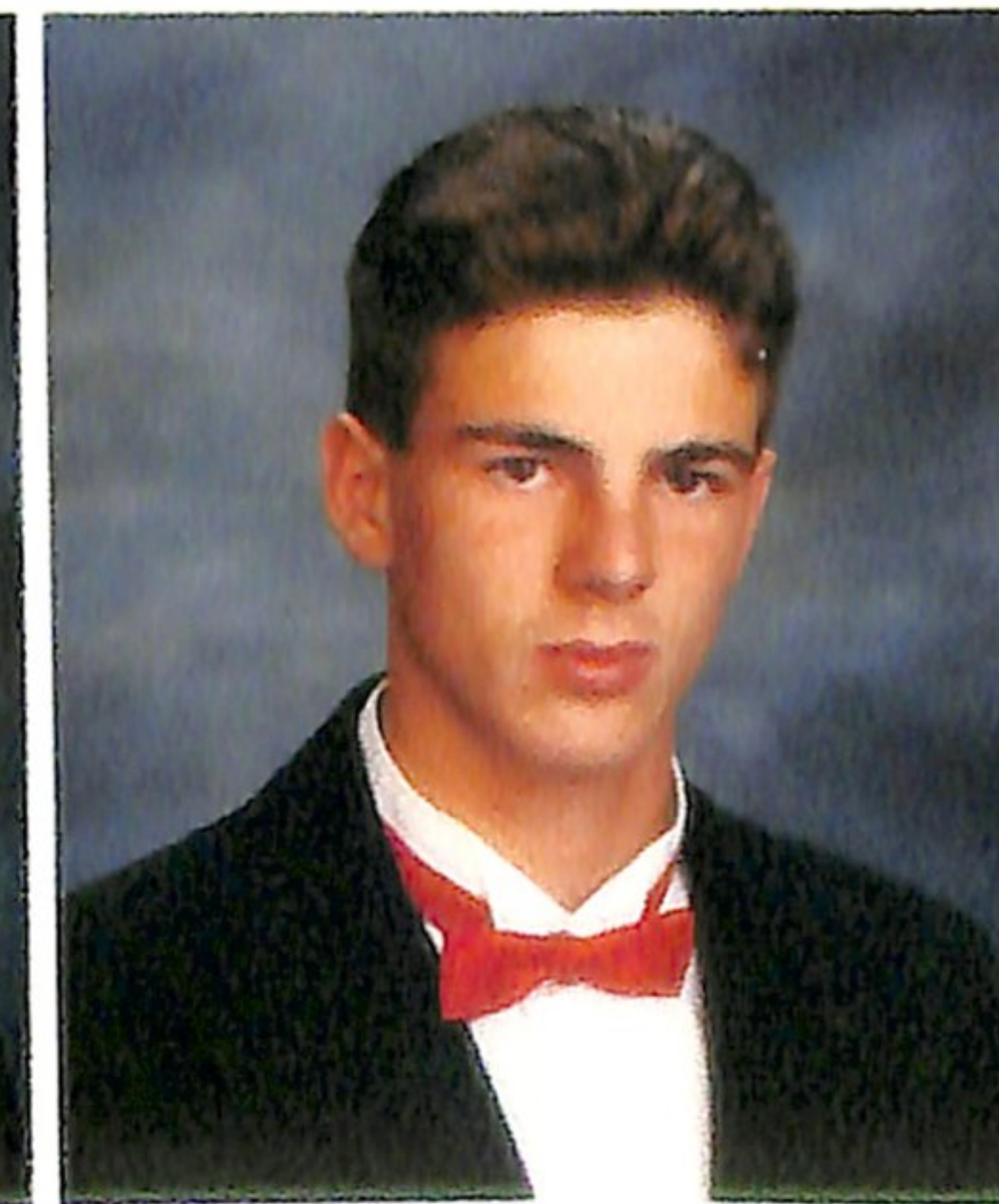
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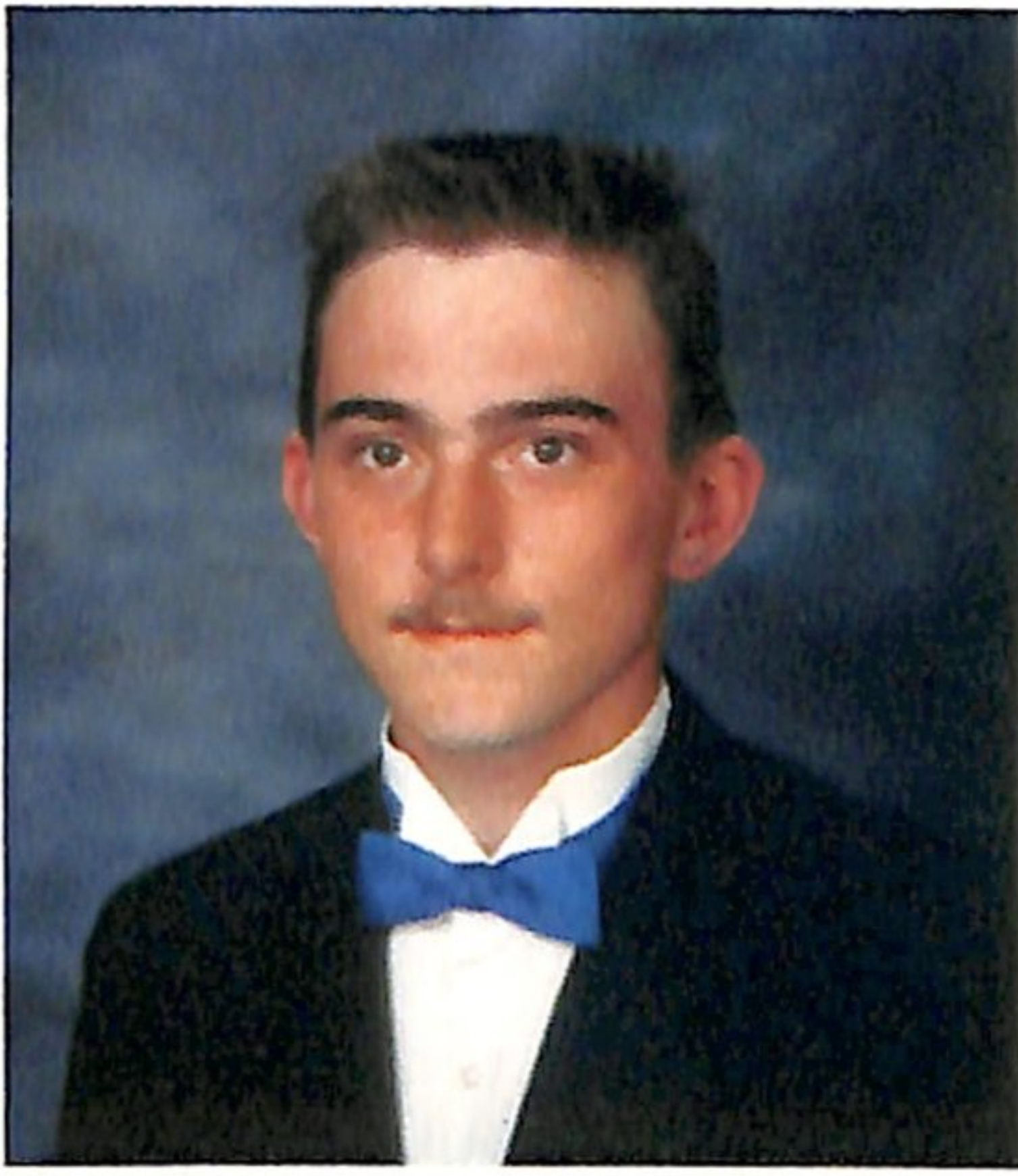
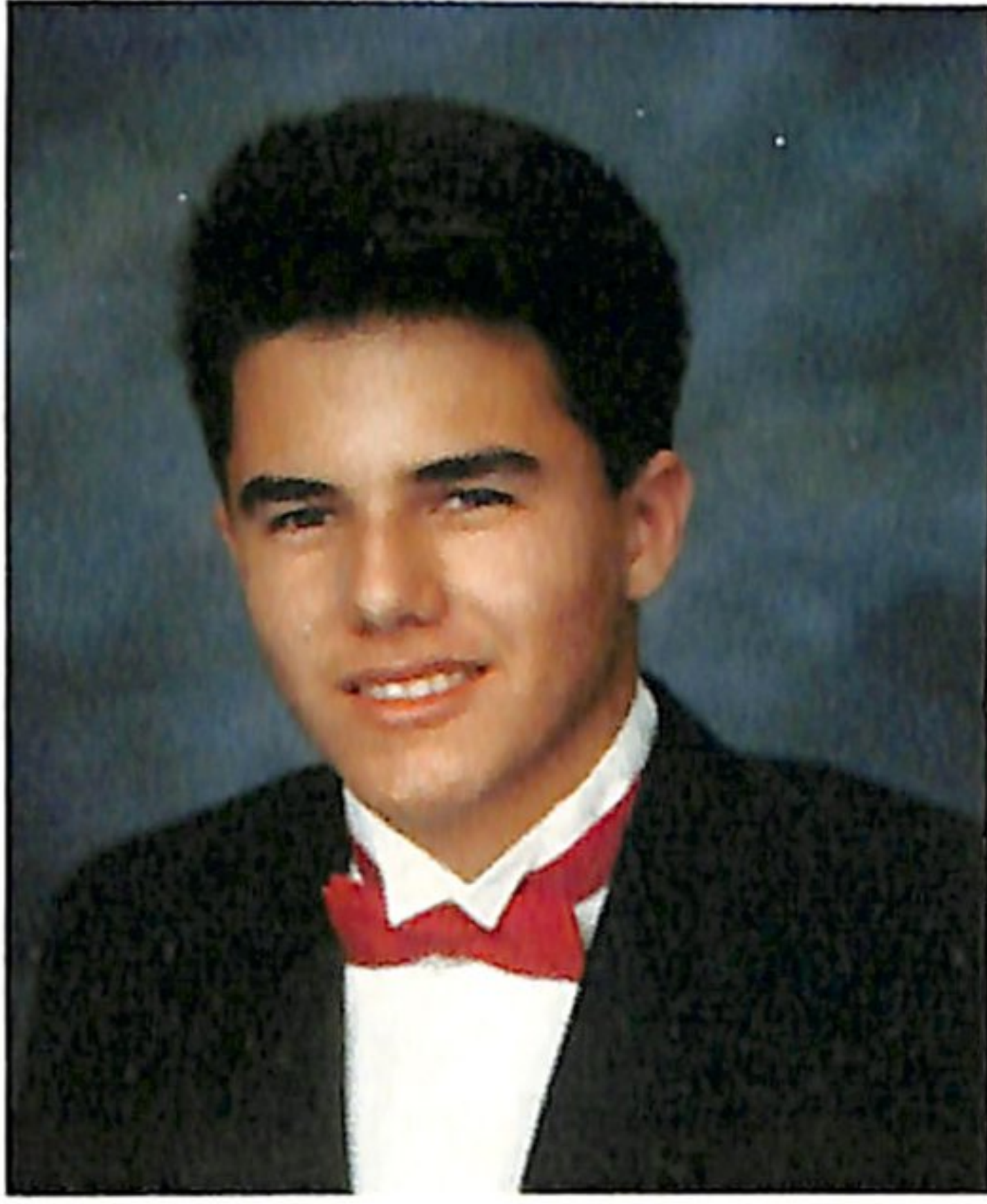
◆ Keith Balasia and Ricky Stevens do their part to help our environment. "It's important to care about our environment because without it we are nothing!" said Keith.



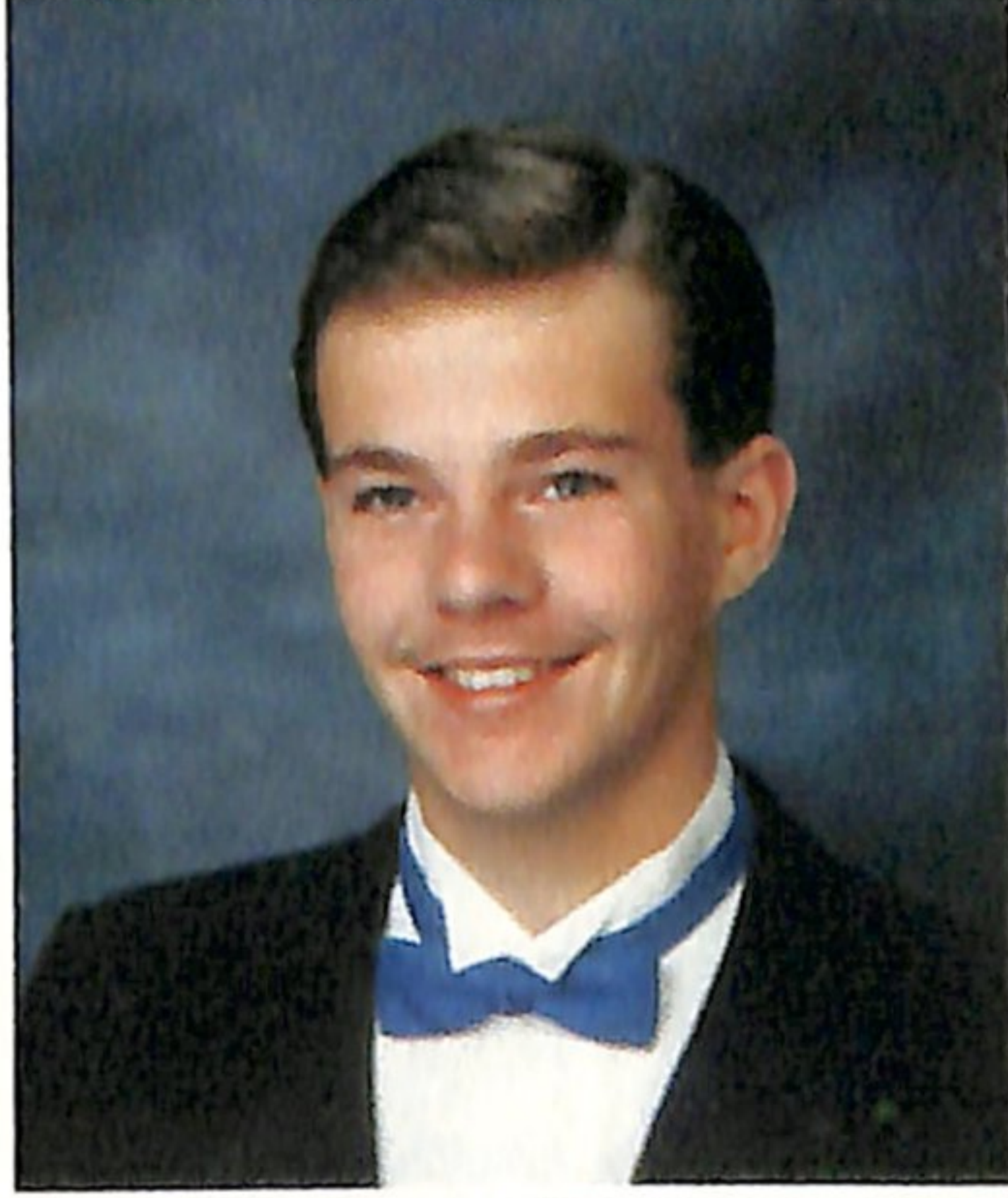
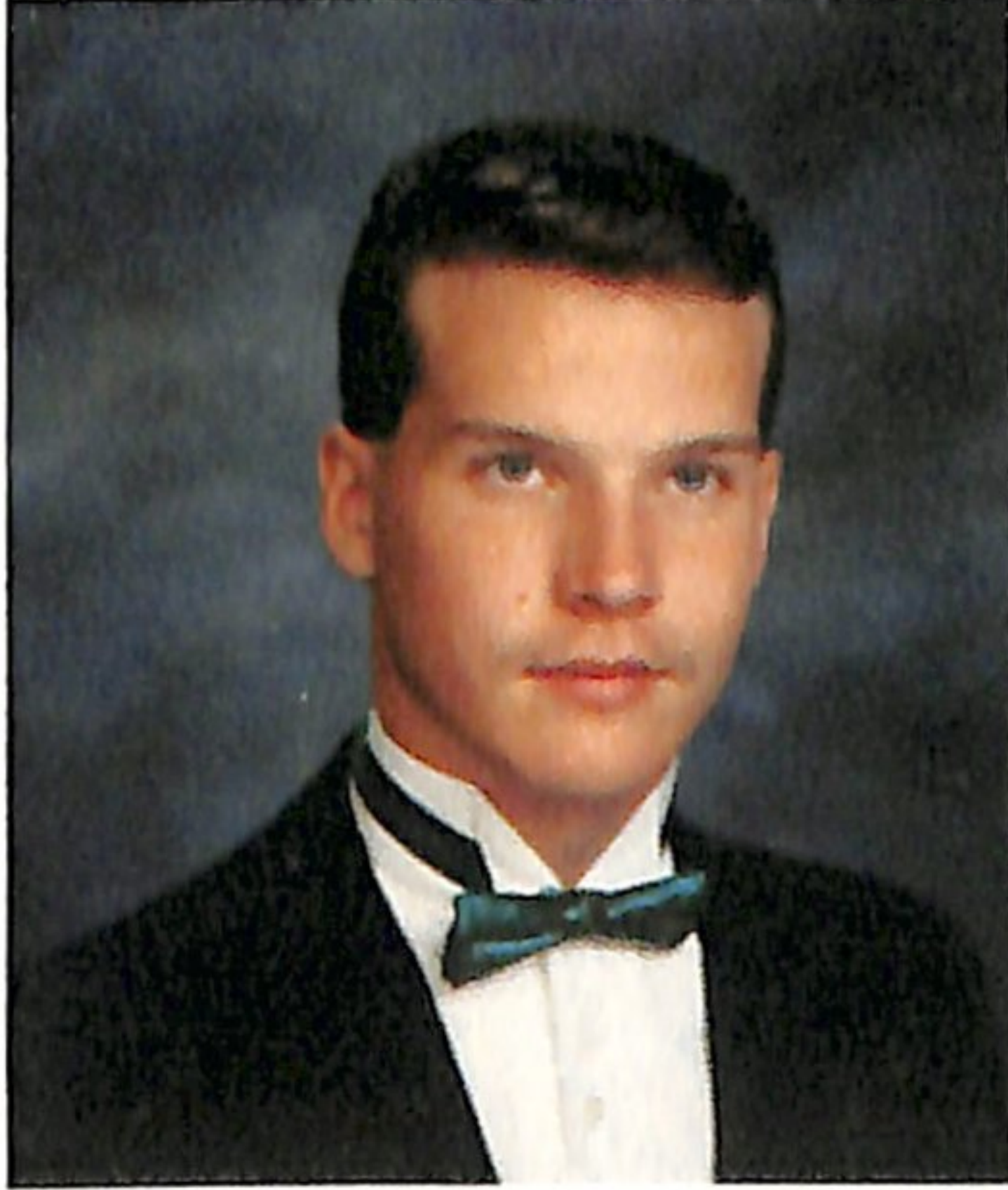
Ecology?

everyone recycle, the world must be saved! How many people take these words seriously? Do people really believe that if empty soda cans are not recycled the world will come to an end? Why should people care if a forest on some far off region of the world is being destroyed? The fact is the value we place on our environment today will make the difference in our future and the future of the world. As Ricky Stevens pointed out, "If people don't take the time to care for our world, how can they expect it to care for them?"

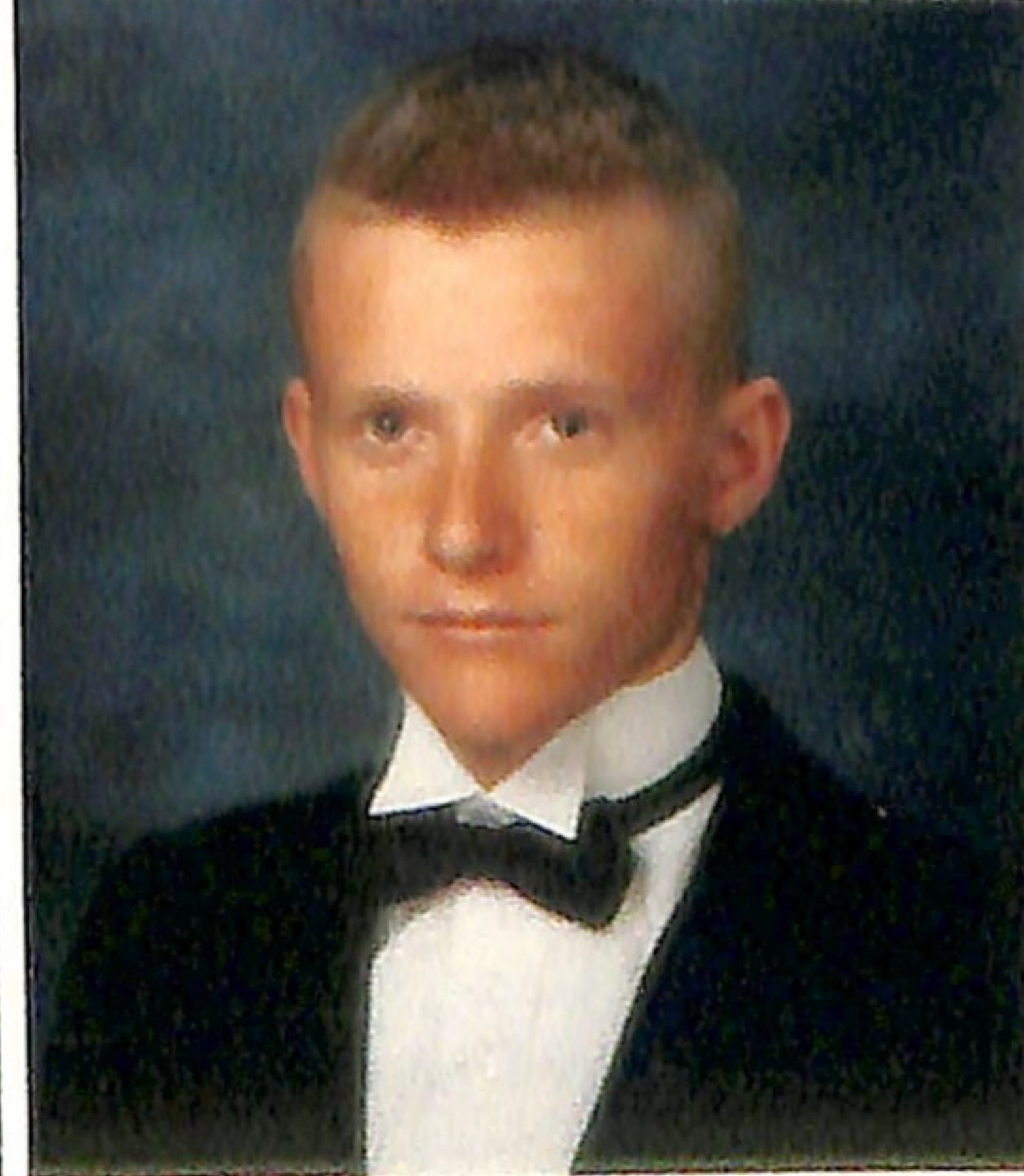
In an effort to raise environmental consciousness, Solano County has issued recycling bins to Fairfield residents. These may be used to recycle newspapers, aluminum cans, glass and plastic bottles. Here on campus the students do their part. For example, the Key Club planted trees, students recycled white paper and the yearbook was printed on recycled paper. Perhaps Eric Kanamoto, president of the CSF, summed it up best when he stated, "There's a lot to be improved in our quest to save the environment, but if everyone works together there's nothing we can't accomplish!"



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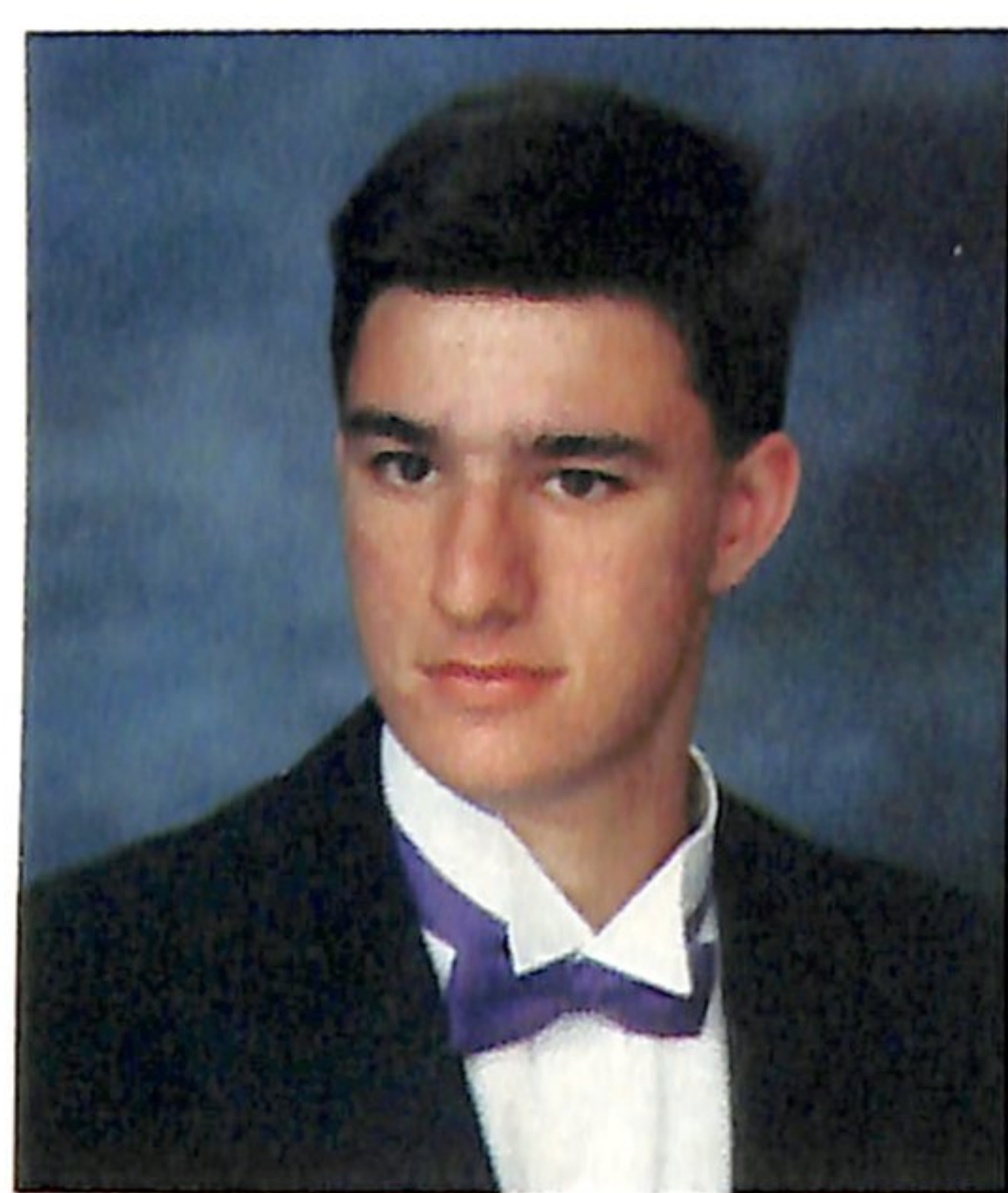


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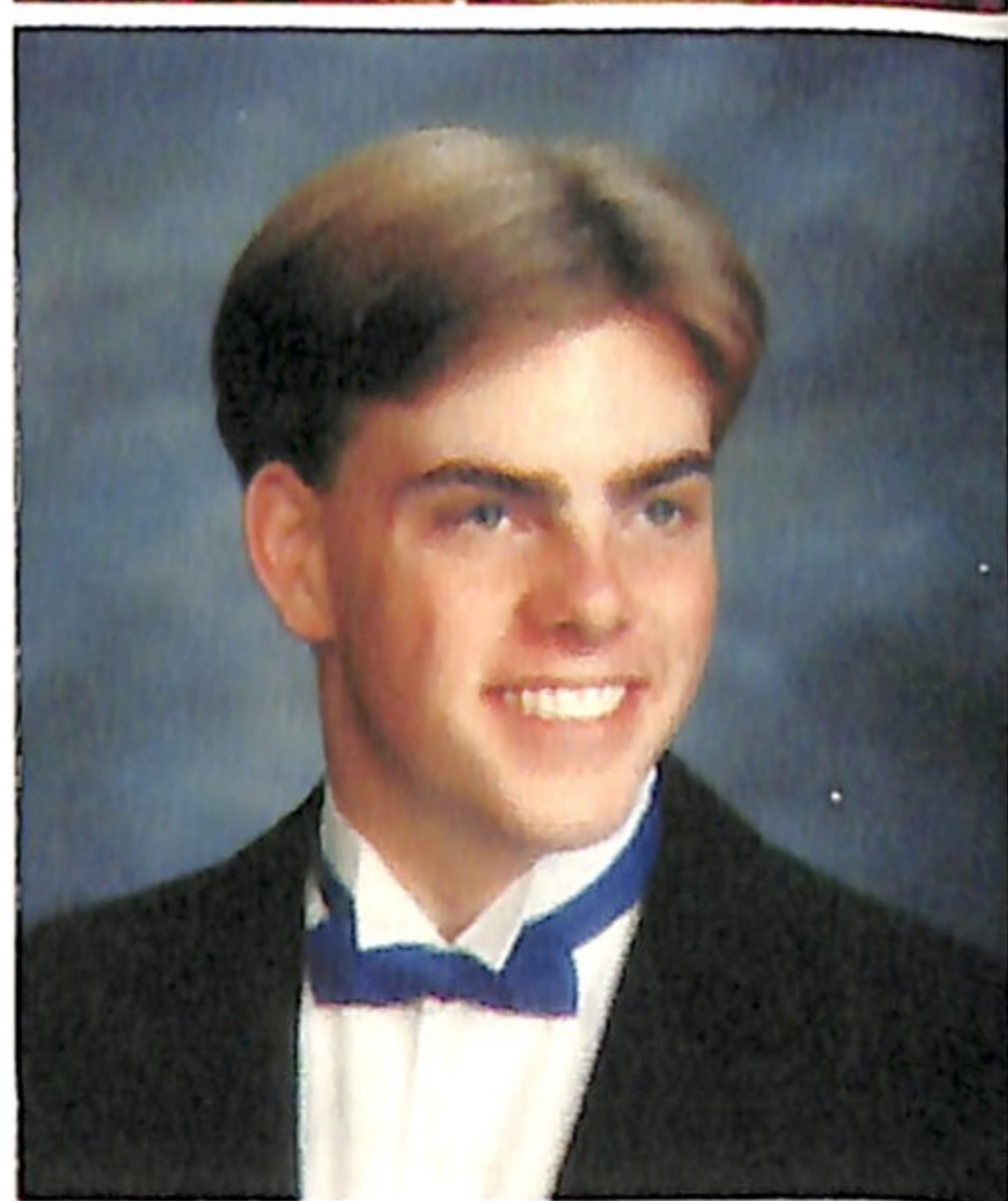
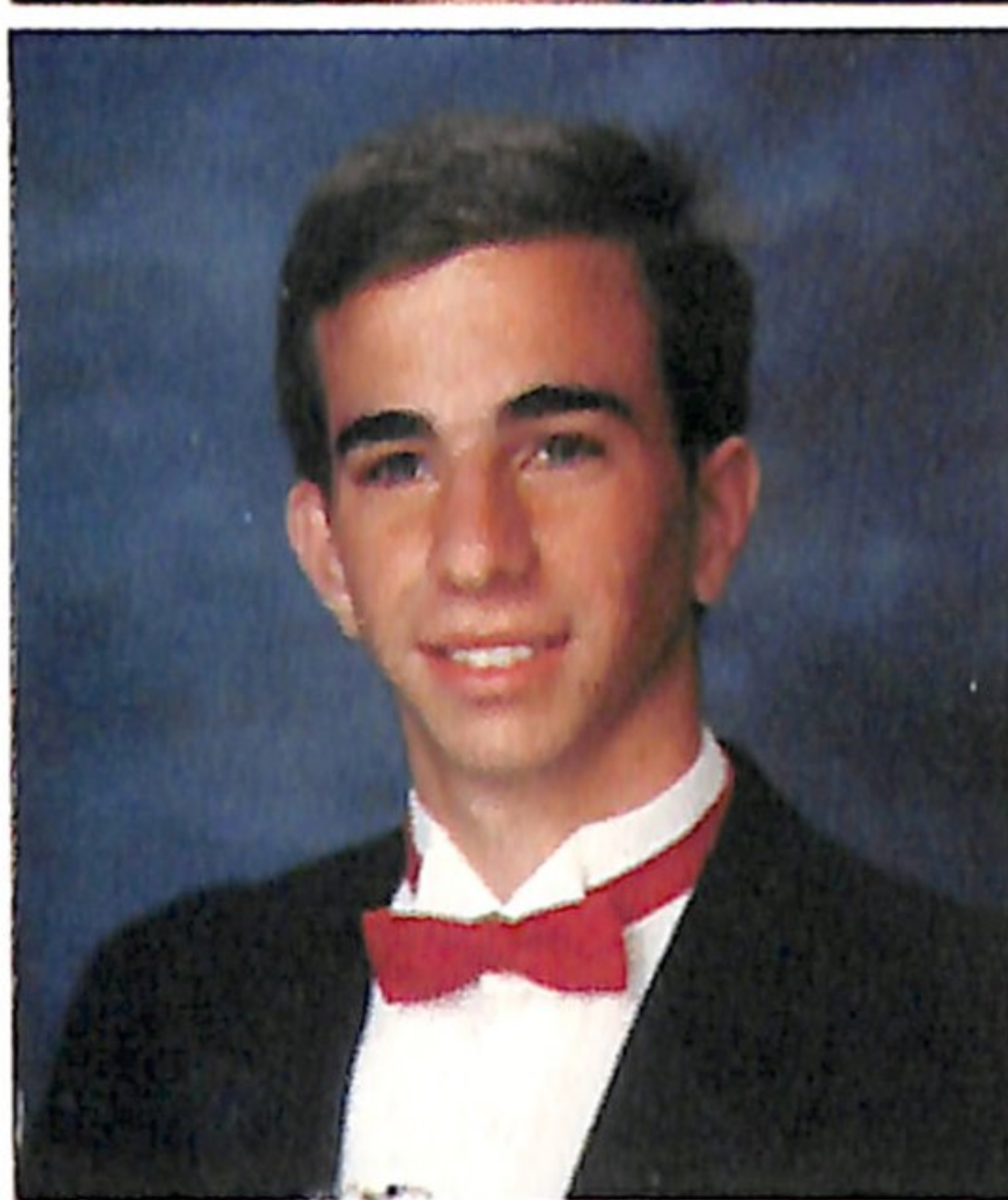


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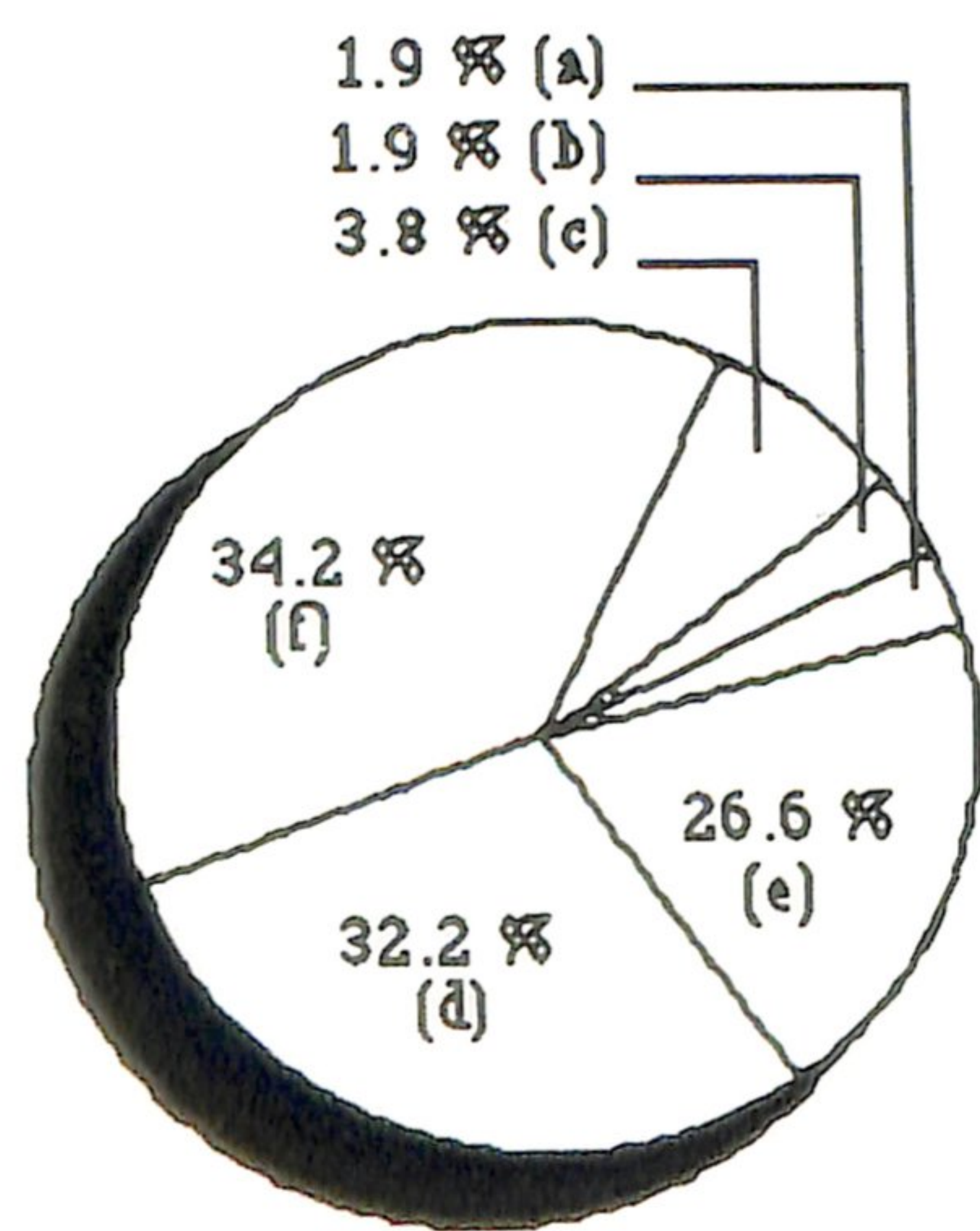
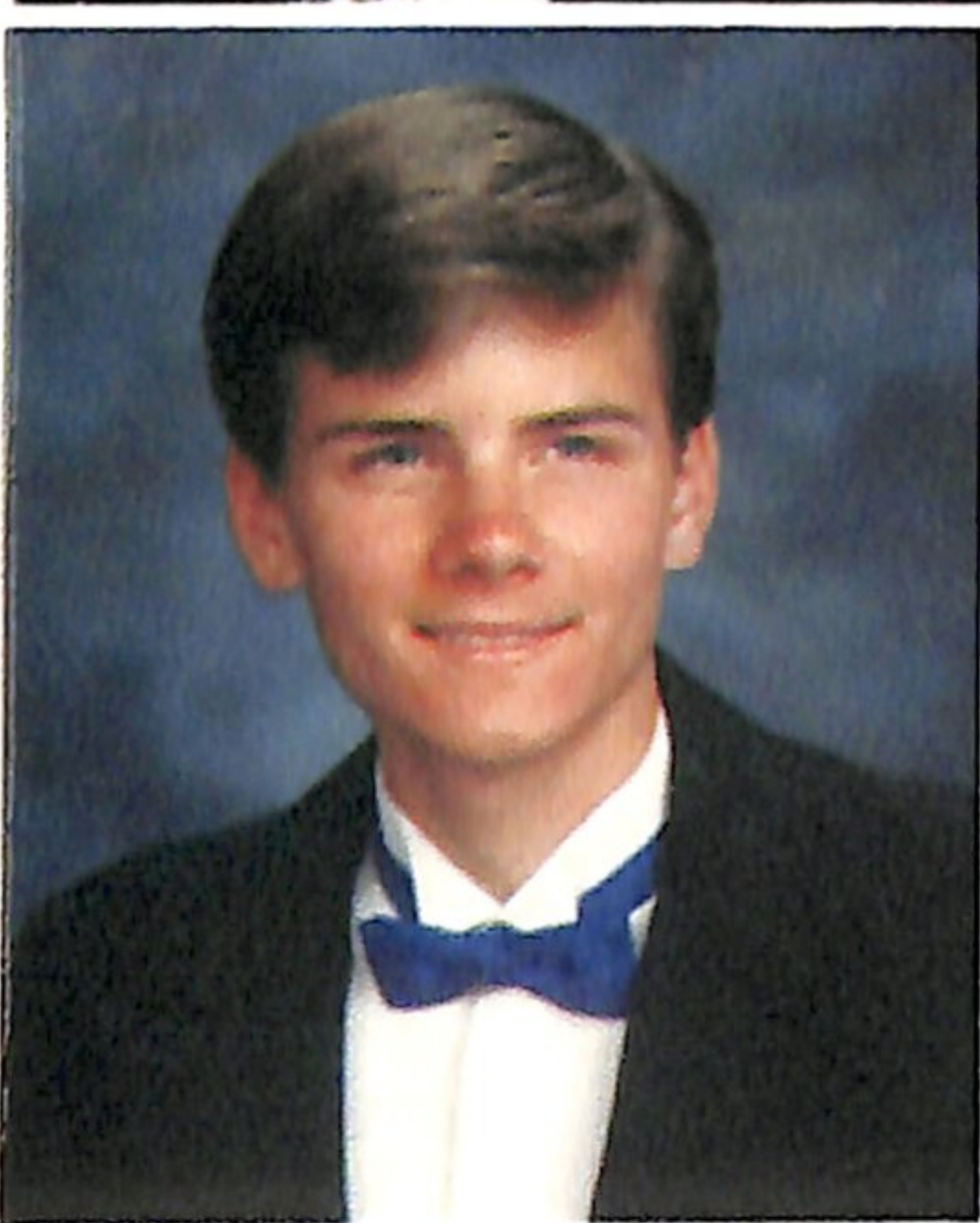
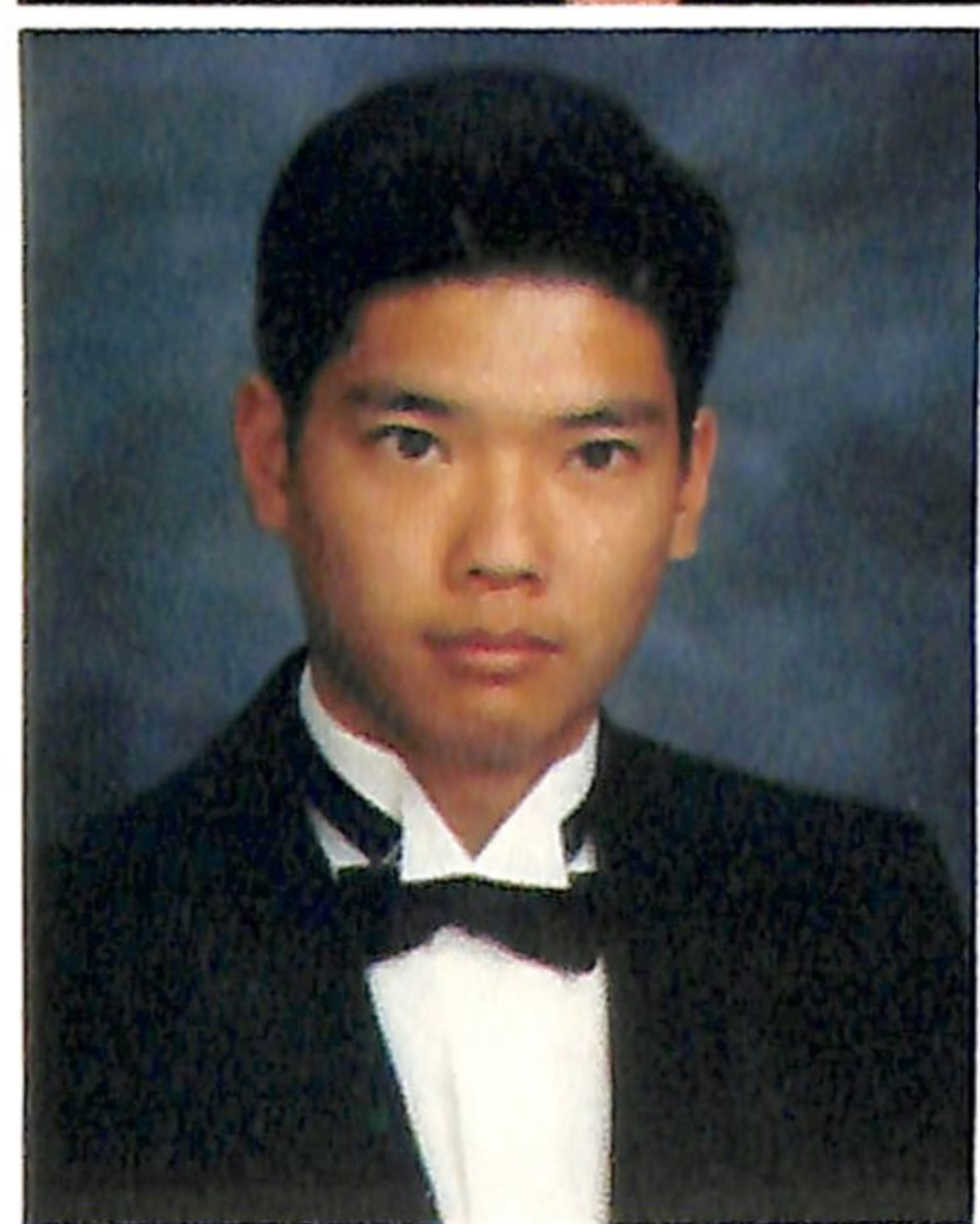
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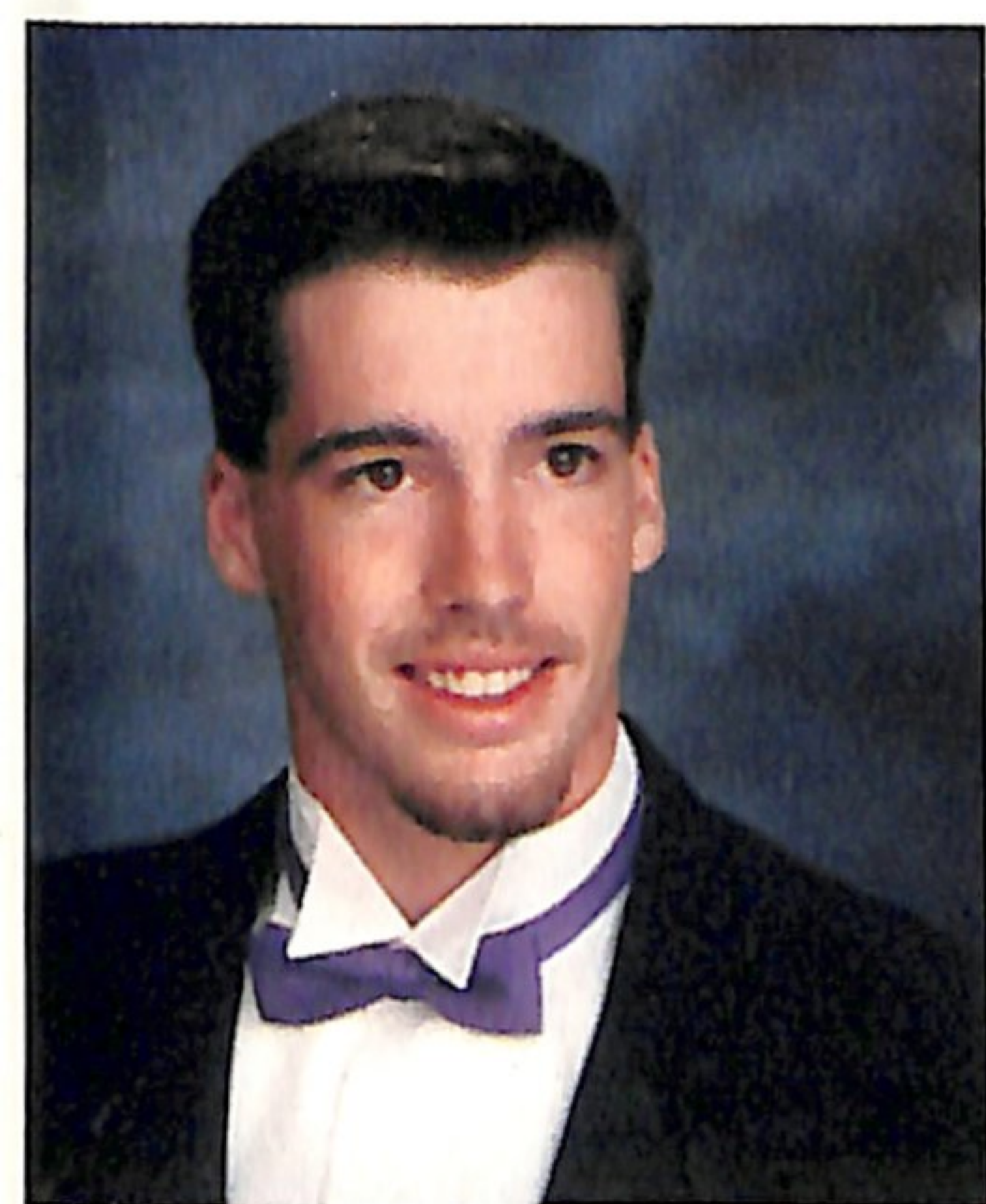
What time is your curfew?

- a) 9:30 - 10:30
- b) 10:30 - 11:00
- c) 11:00 - 11:55
- d) 12:00 - 12:55
- e) 1:00 - 1:55
- f) When you get tired

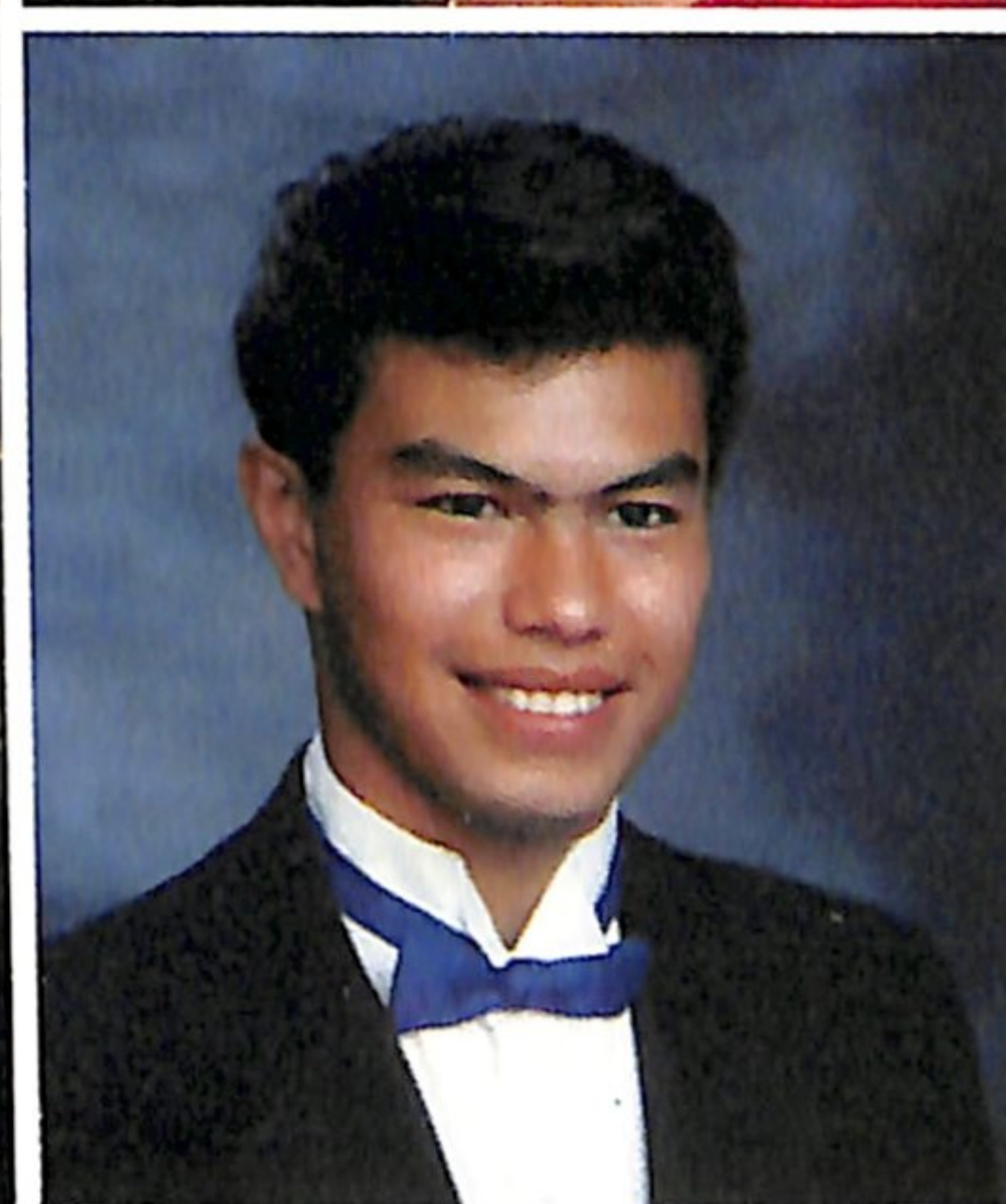
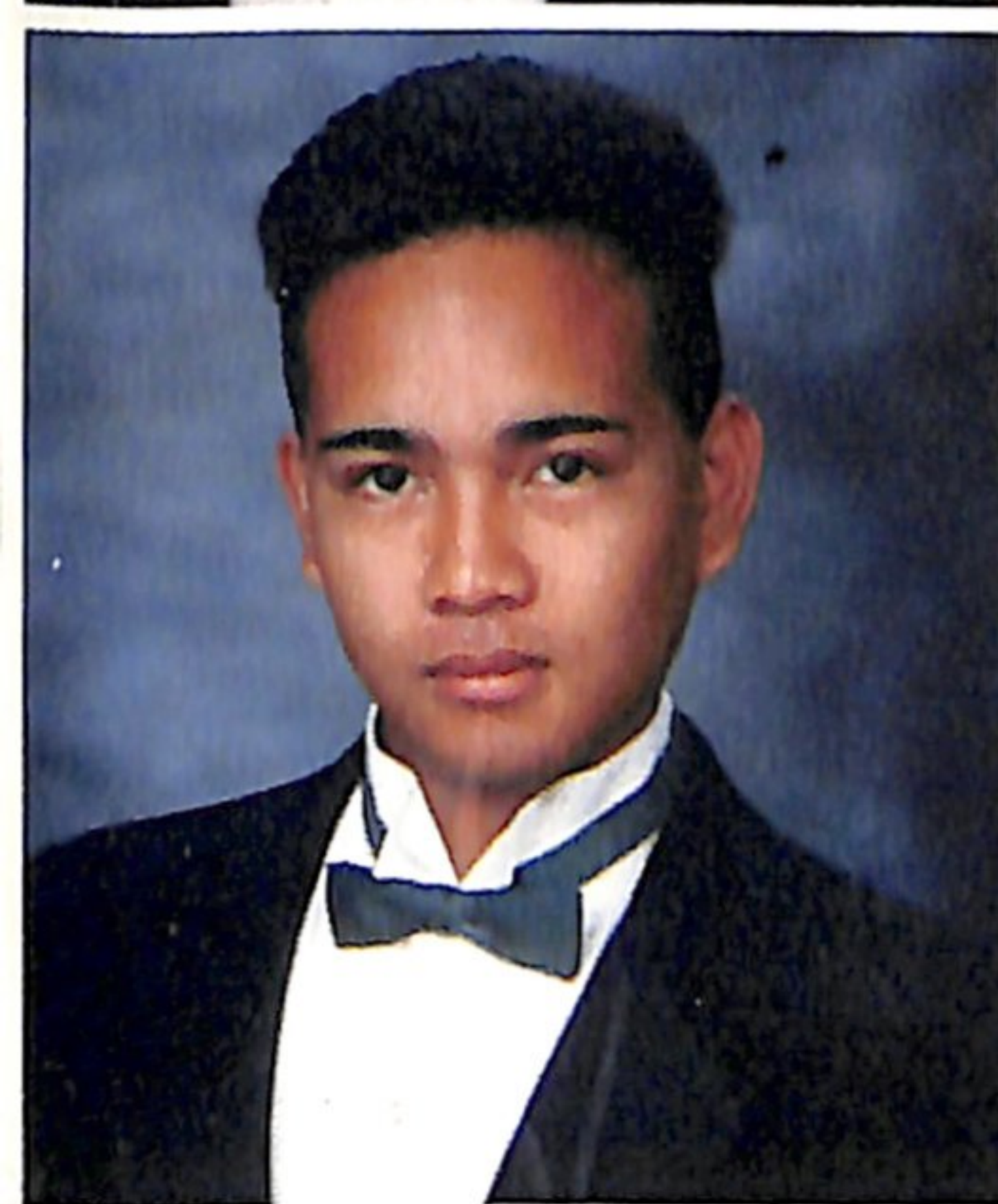
“On top of coming home at 6:00 a.m., I forgot my key and had to wake everyone up bangin’ on the door. -Jan-elle Grace”

♦ “I’m more worried about waking up our dog, than I am my mother. Our dog’s bark could wake up the whole household and then I’d definitely be caught,” said Amy O’Branchovich.





Aron Madsen
Nathan Madsen
Mechele Magpusao
Laura Mahoney



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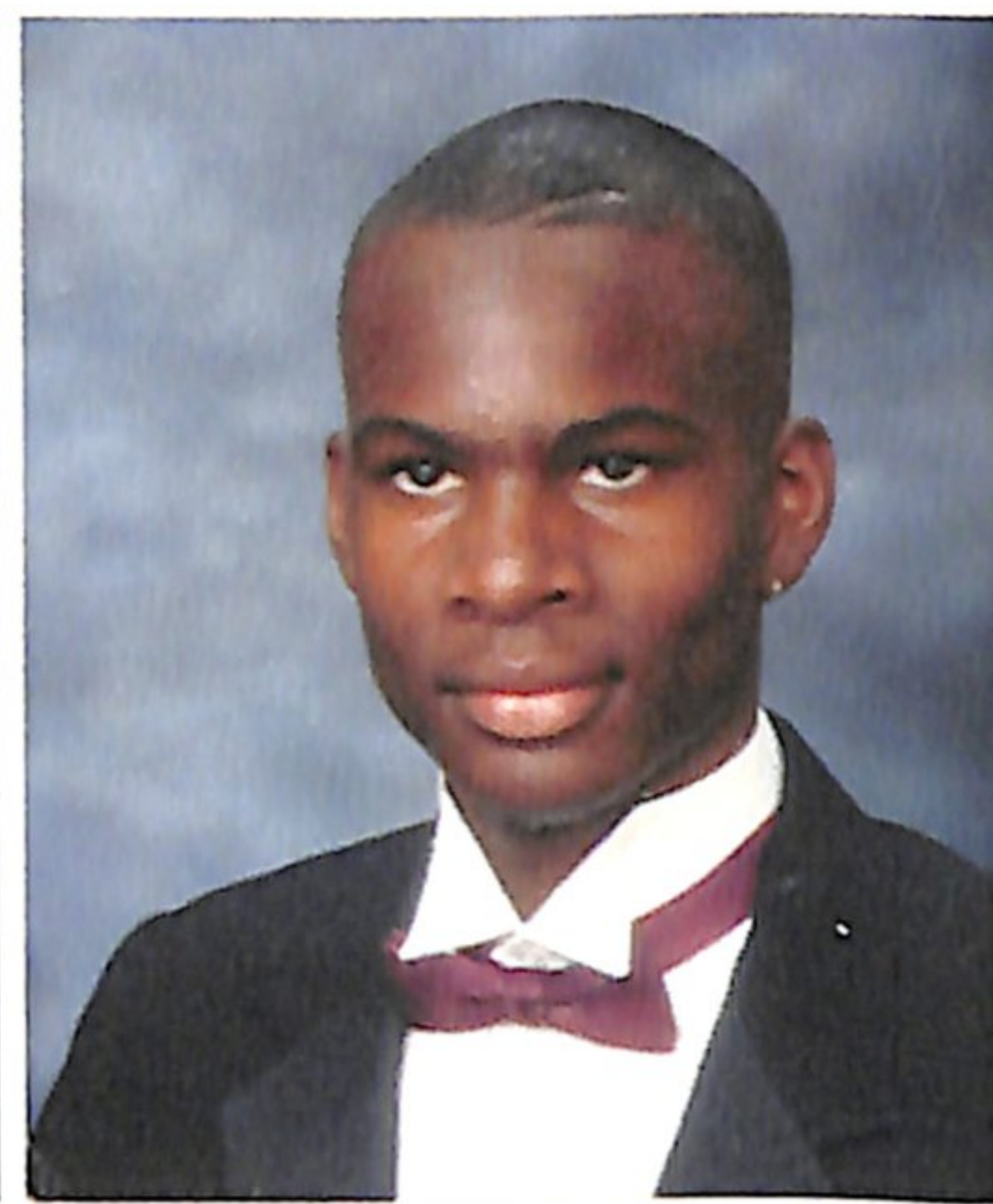
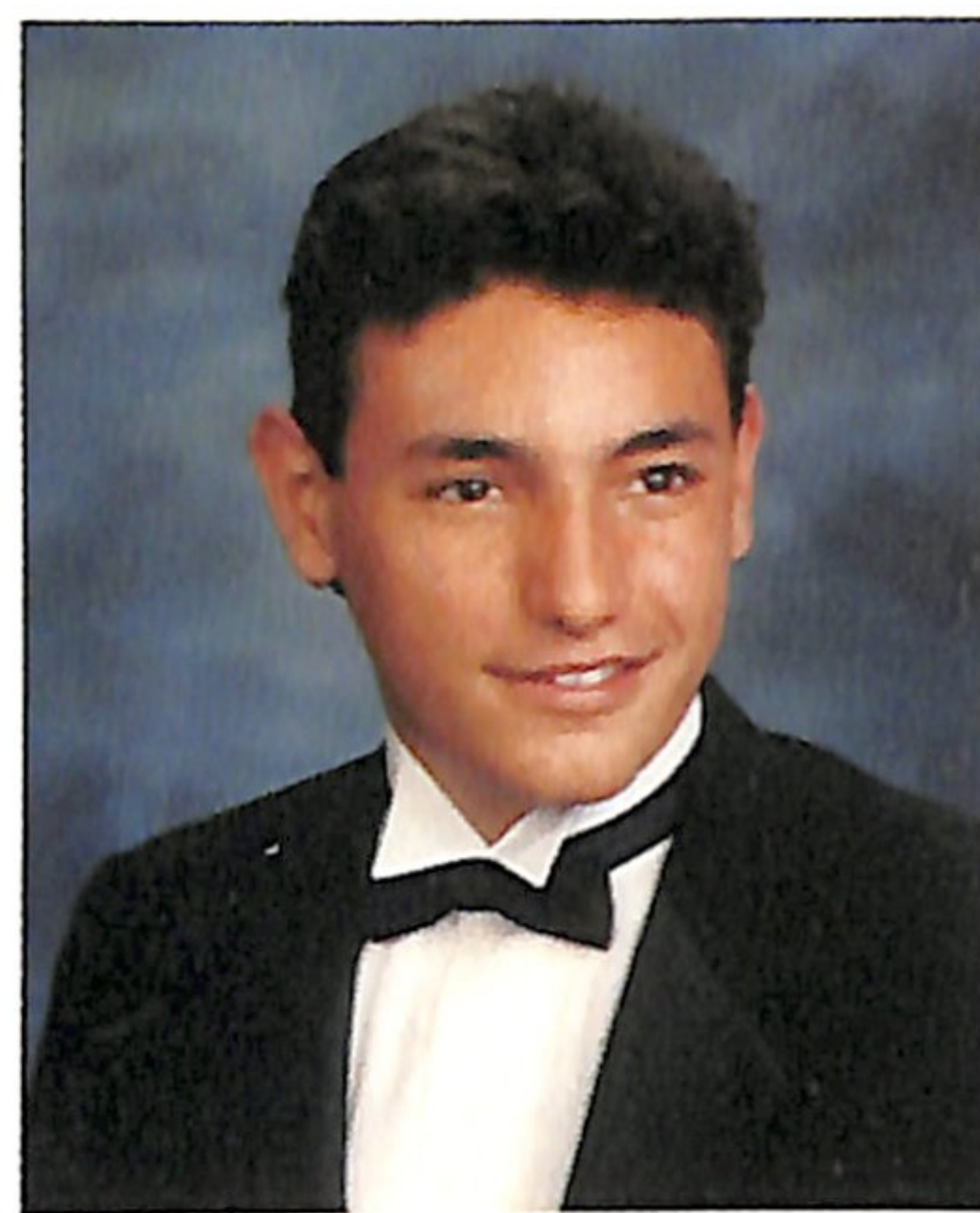
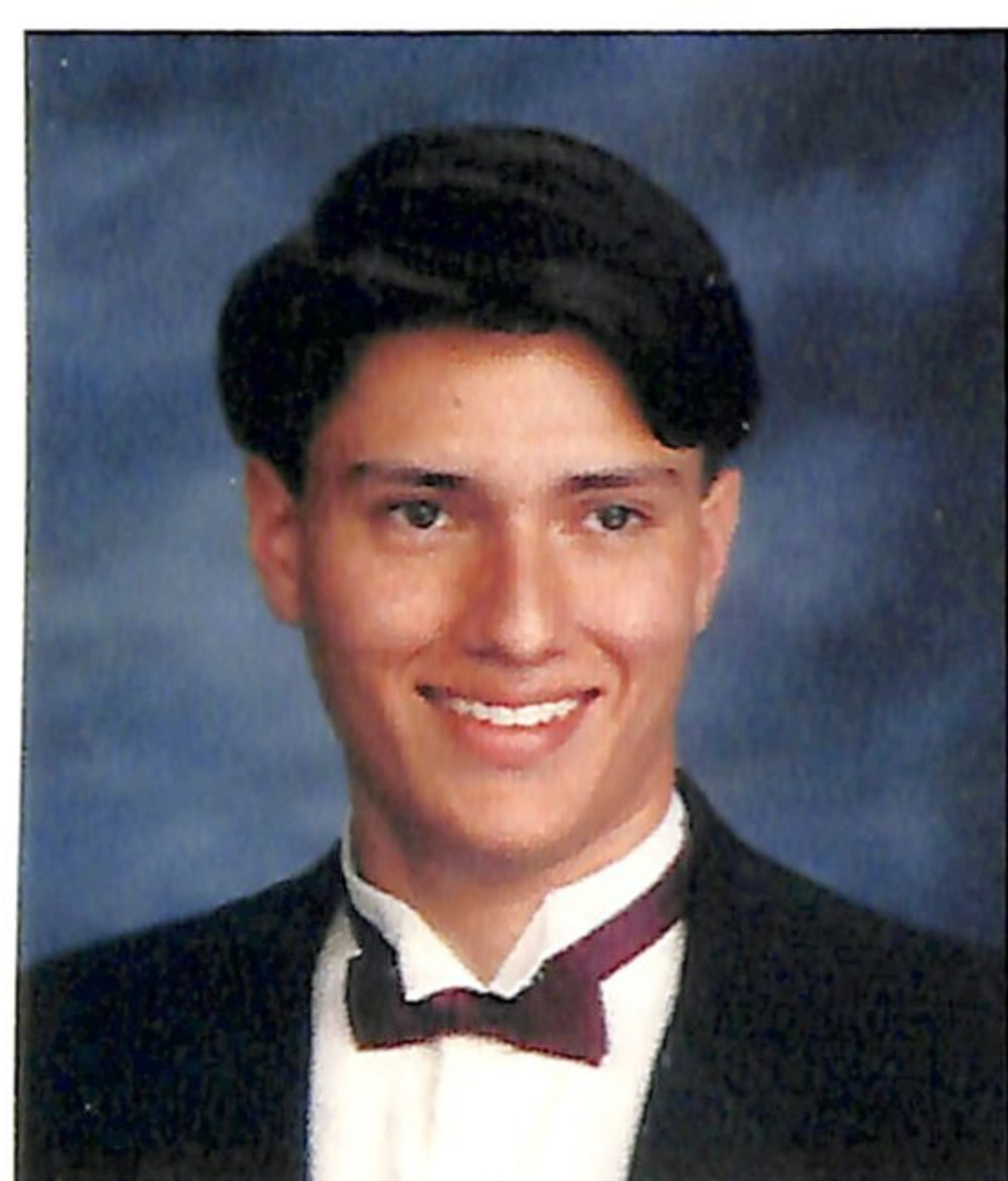
It's a miracle that you even have time to think about your curfew when your mind is bogged down with the excitement of the evening. Even though you're having fun, you decide to look at your watch. Beads of sweat start trickling down the sides of your face and suddenly you remember your mother's voice telling you to have a good time and to be sure to be home by 12:30 a.m. You look at your watch and see that it's already 1:32 a.m. The fact is, you are late!

Recognizing the fact that your life as you know it is over, you start to wonder what sacred possessions they will have the nerve to take away from you. You decide to figure out which excuse you will use this time. Excuses, Excuses, that's what you need. "I had to take a friend home," "There was an accident," or even, "My watch doesn't say 1:46 a.m.!" There are so many excuses, so which one should I use?

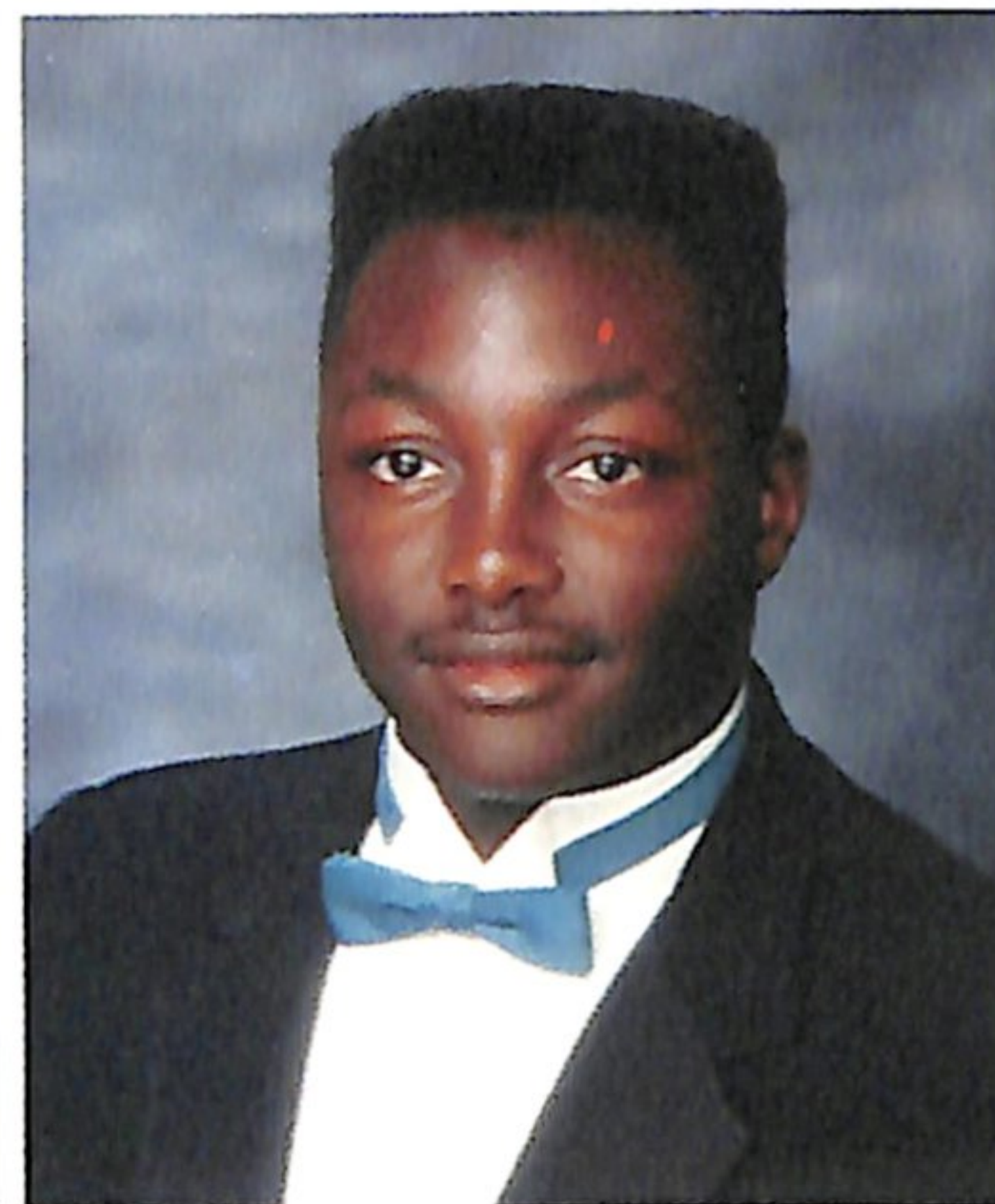
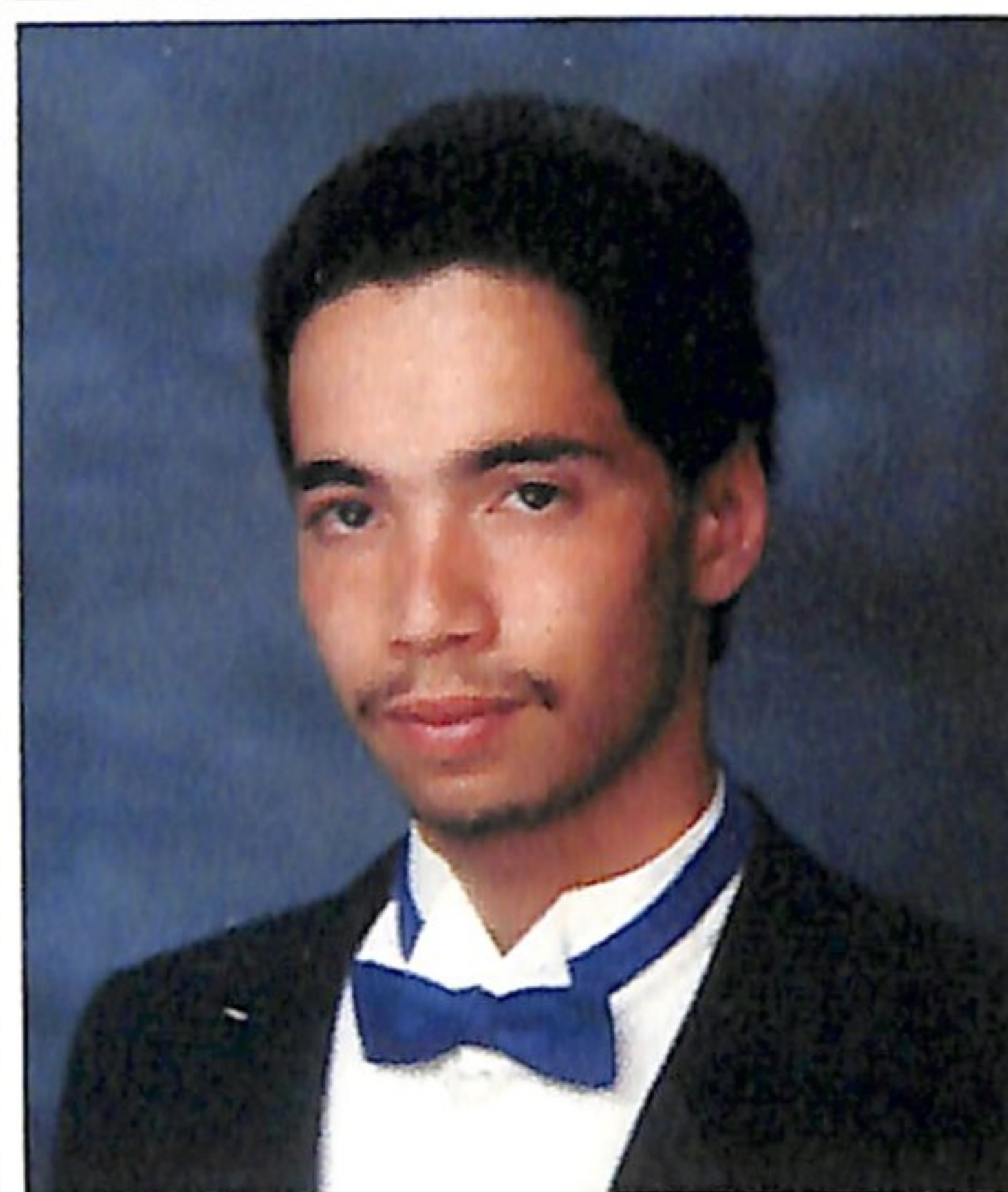
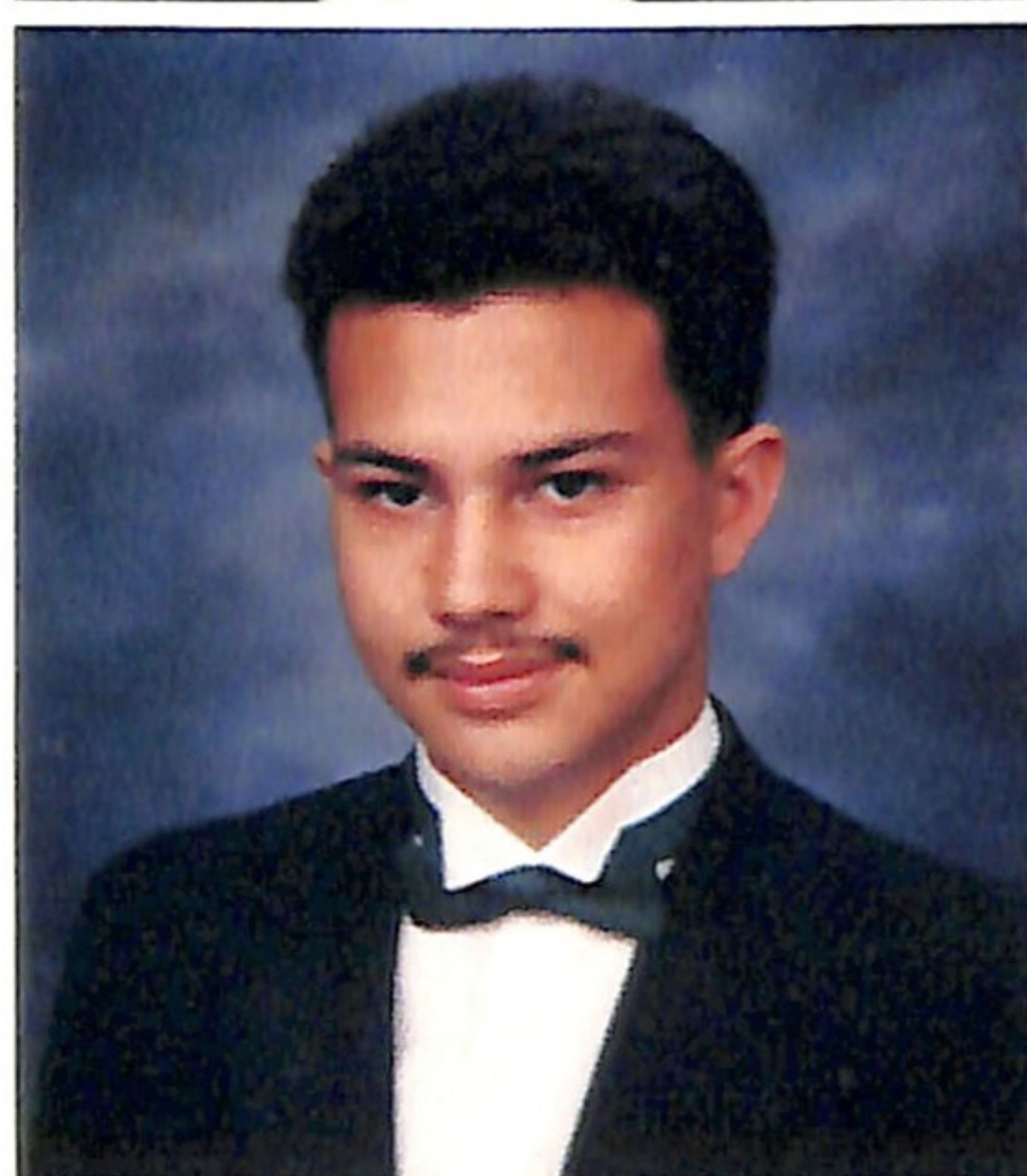
Now you're on your way home and your stomach starts to turn with the thought of your mother's anger. You pull into your driveway and practice your excuse one last time, making sure you have it done. As you unlock the front door, you are certain that the whole world is listening to your wheezing gasps. While you walk down the hall, anticipating an eruption from your parents' room, instead you hear your father snoring.

Now you have to decide what's worse, having to wait all night to find they slept through it all or if they are waiting for daybreak to chew you out. You can not sleep facing what lies ahead, but then there's always a chance that the only thing you'll hear in the morning is, "Good morning, did you have a good time?" When you wake up and find out that you are home free, you breathe a sigh of relief. Now you can relax — until next weekend.

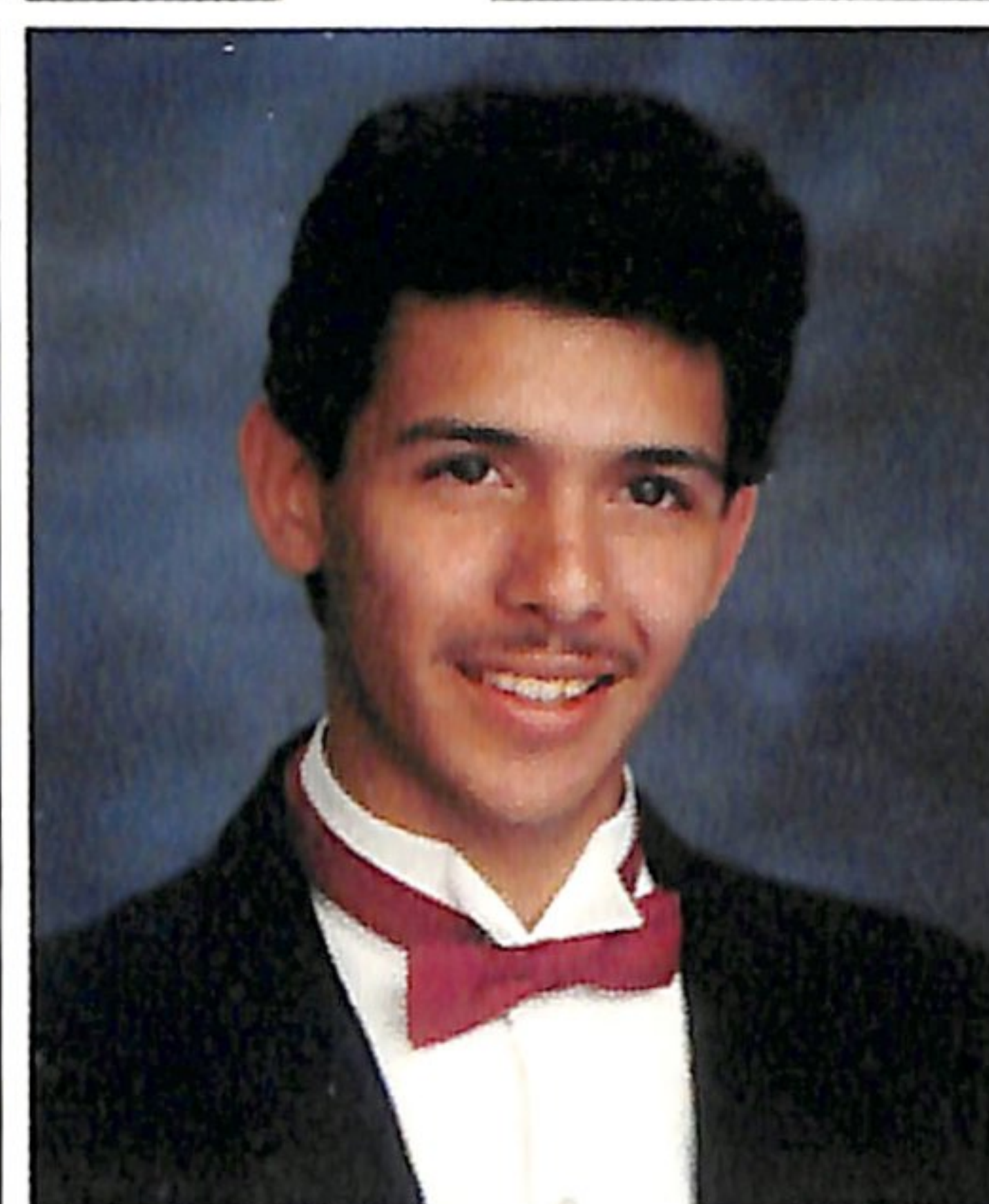
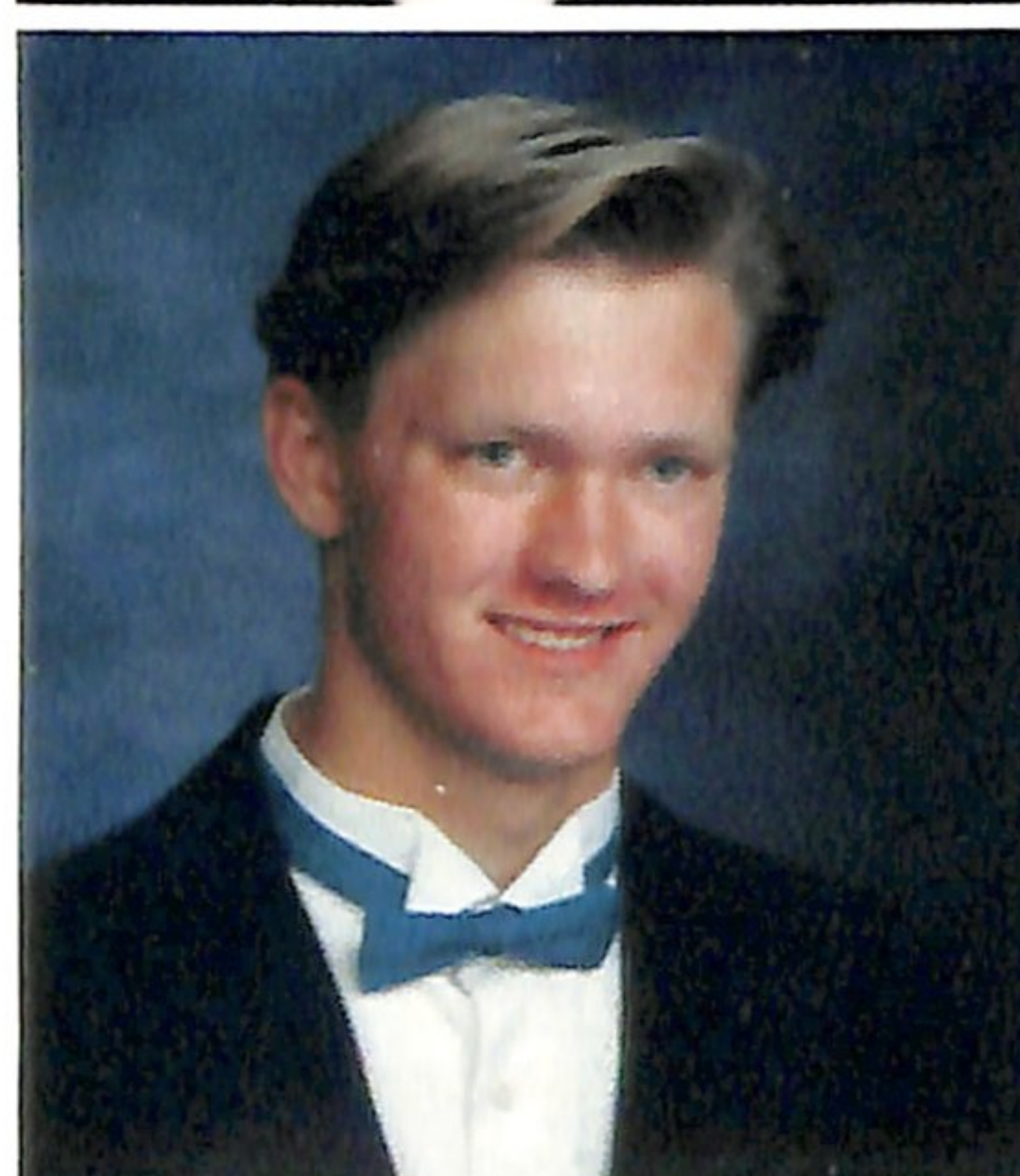
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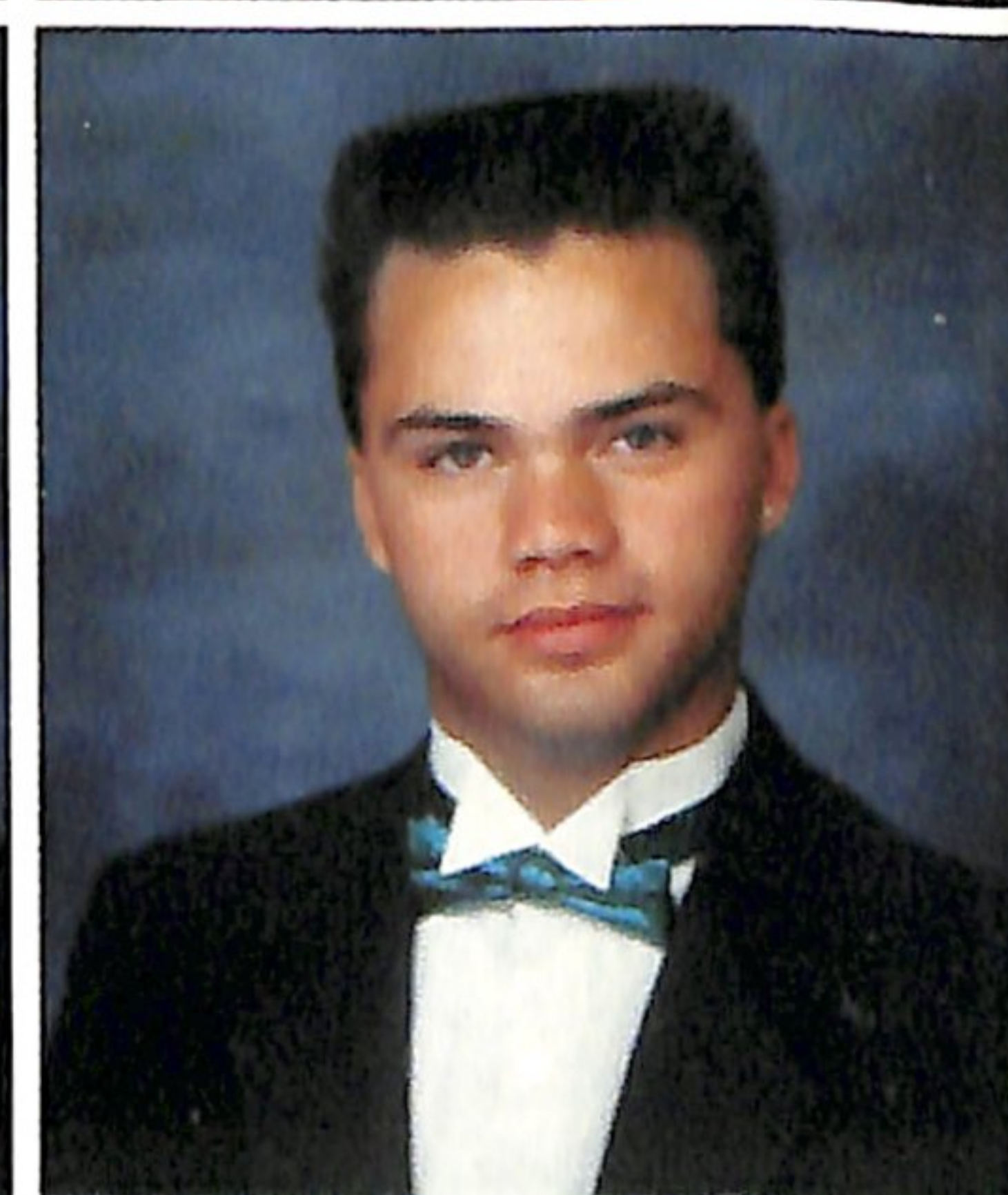
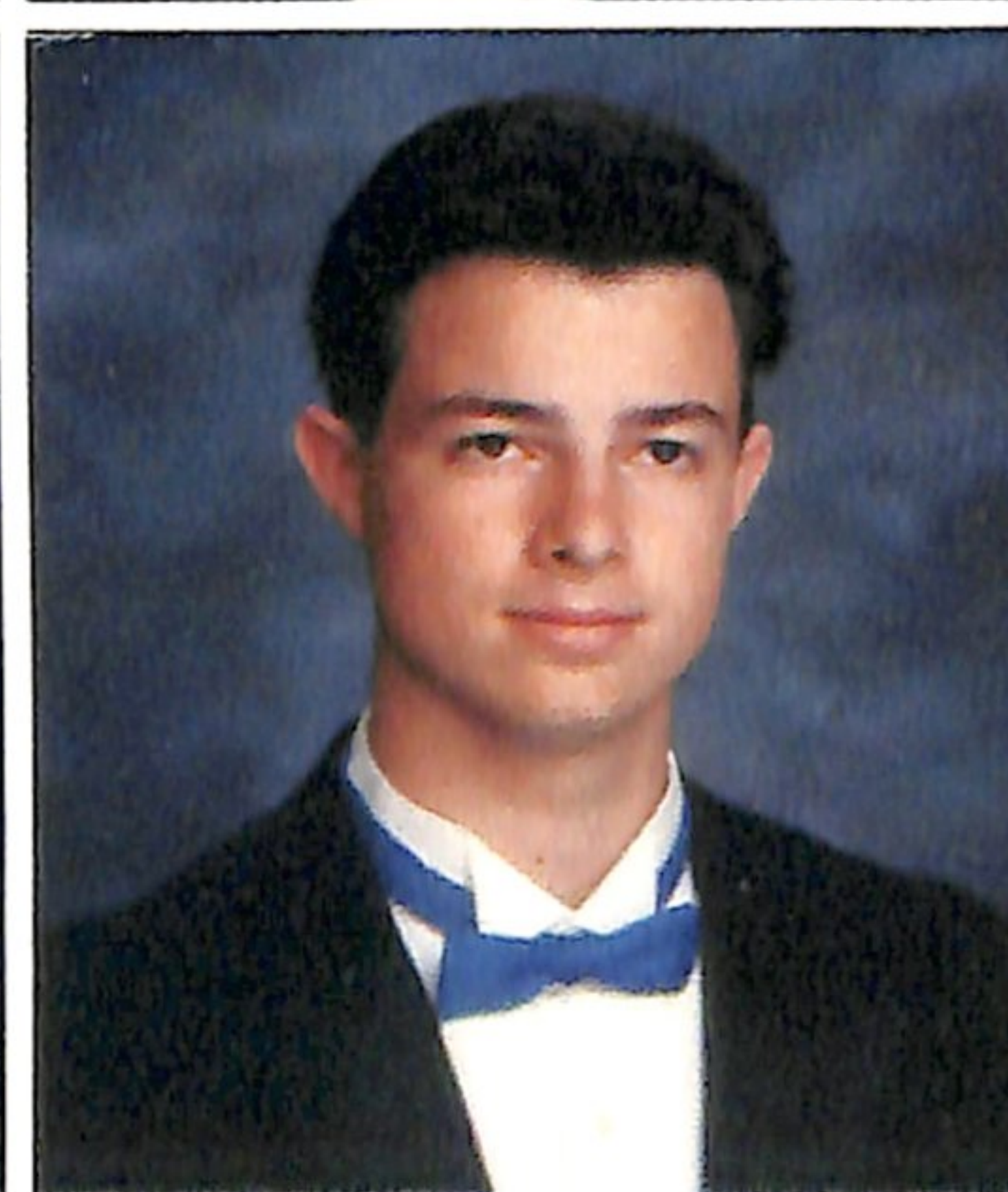
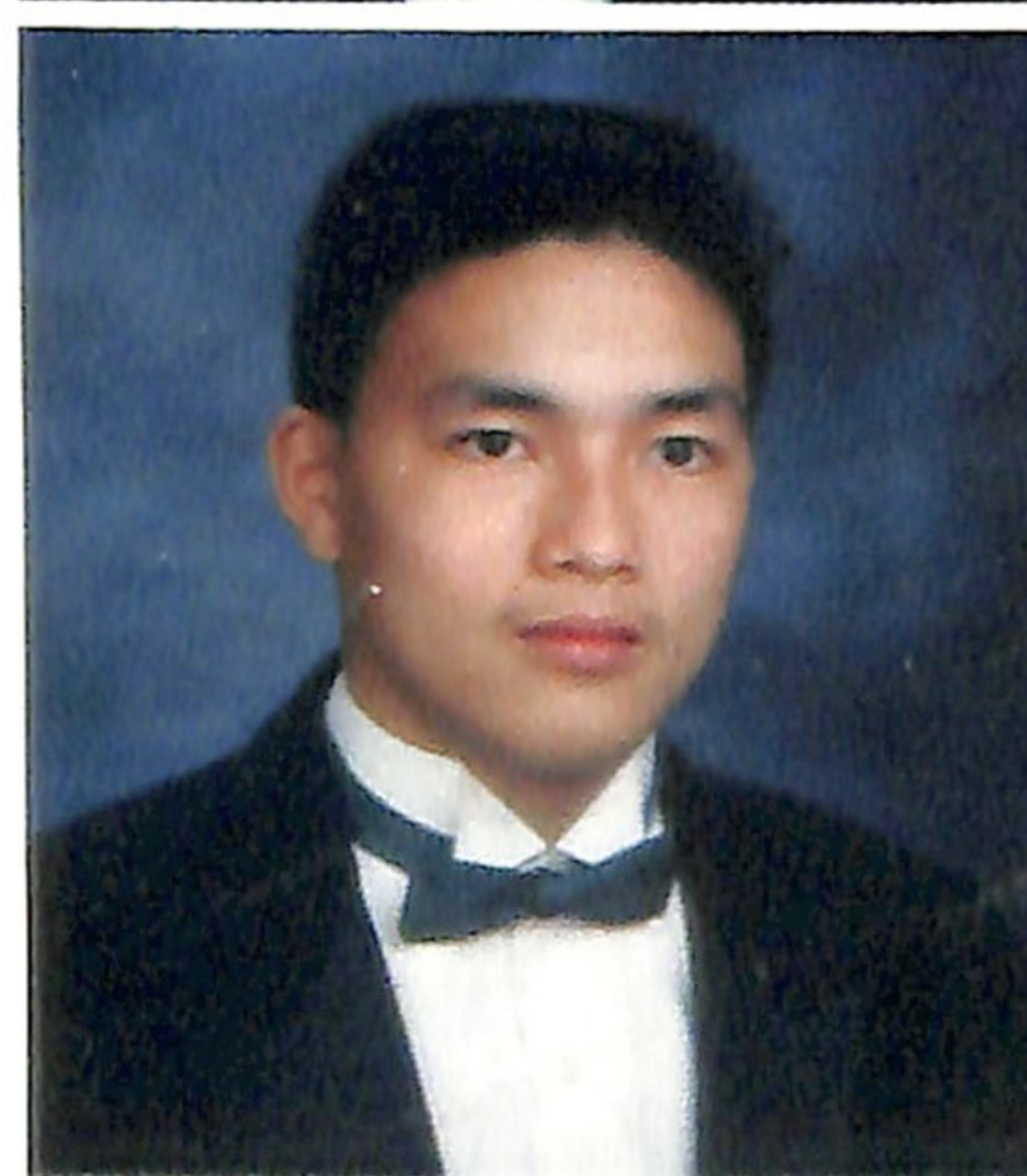
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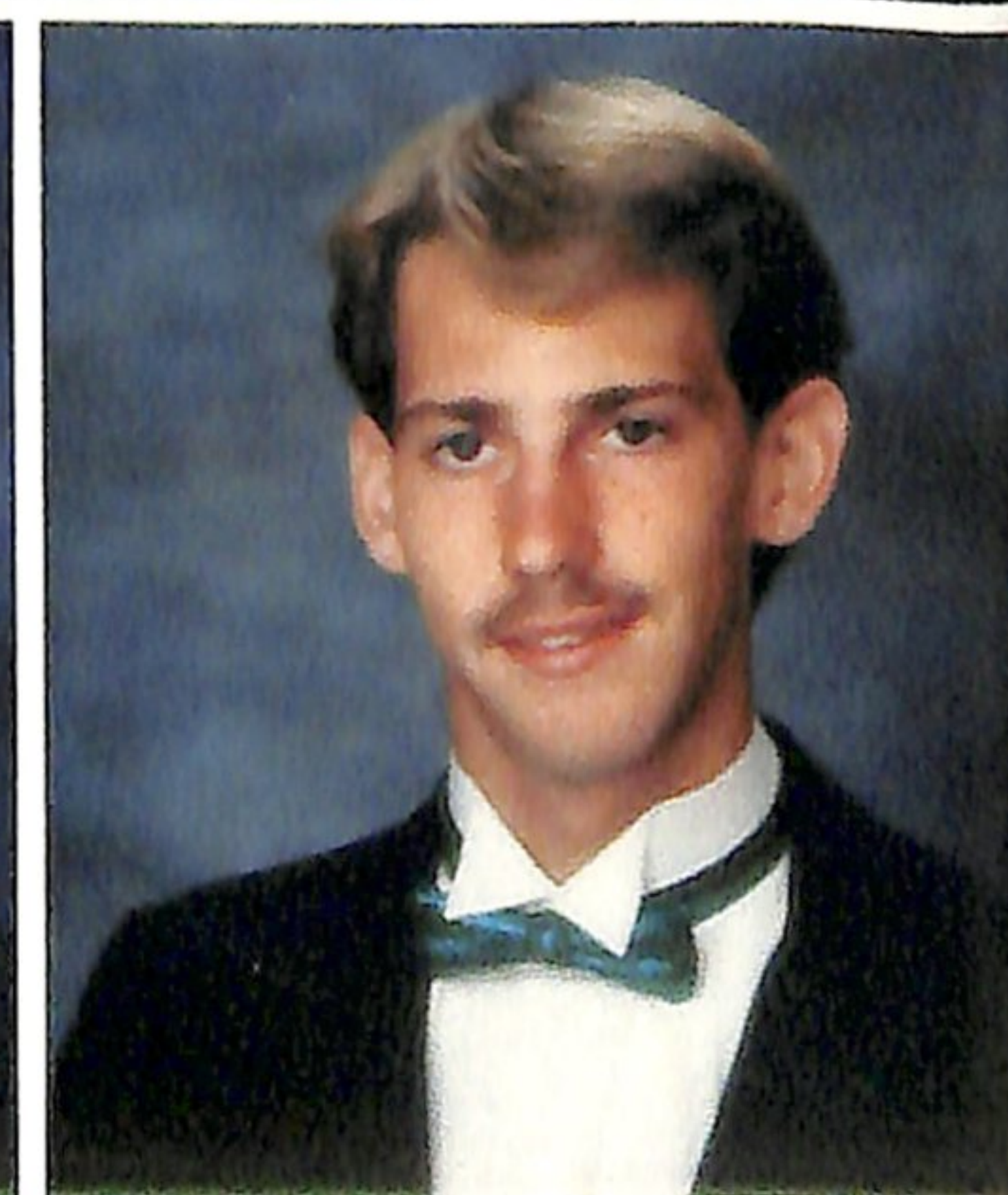
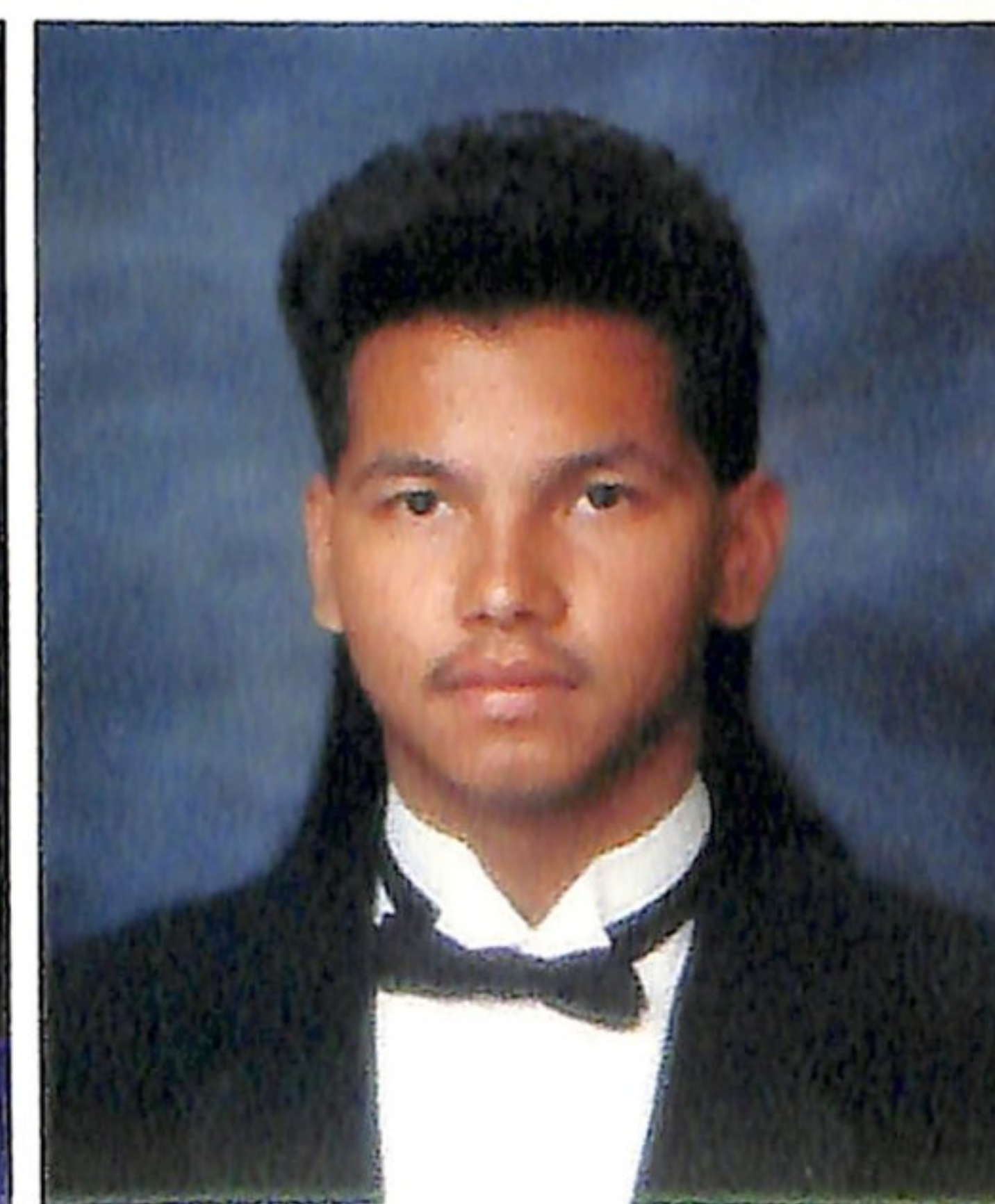
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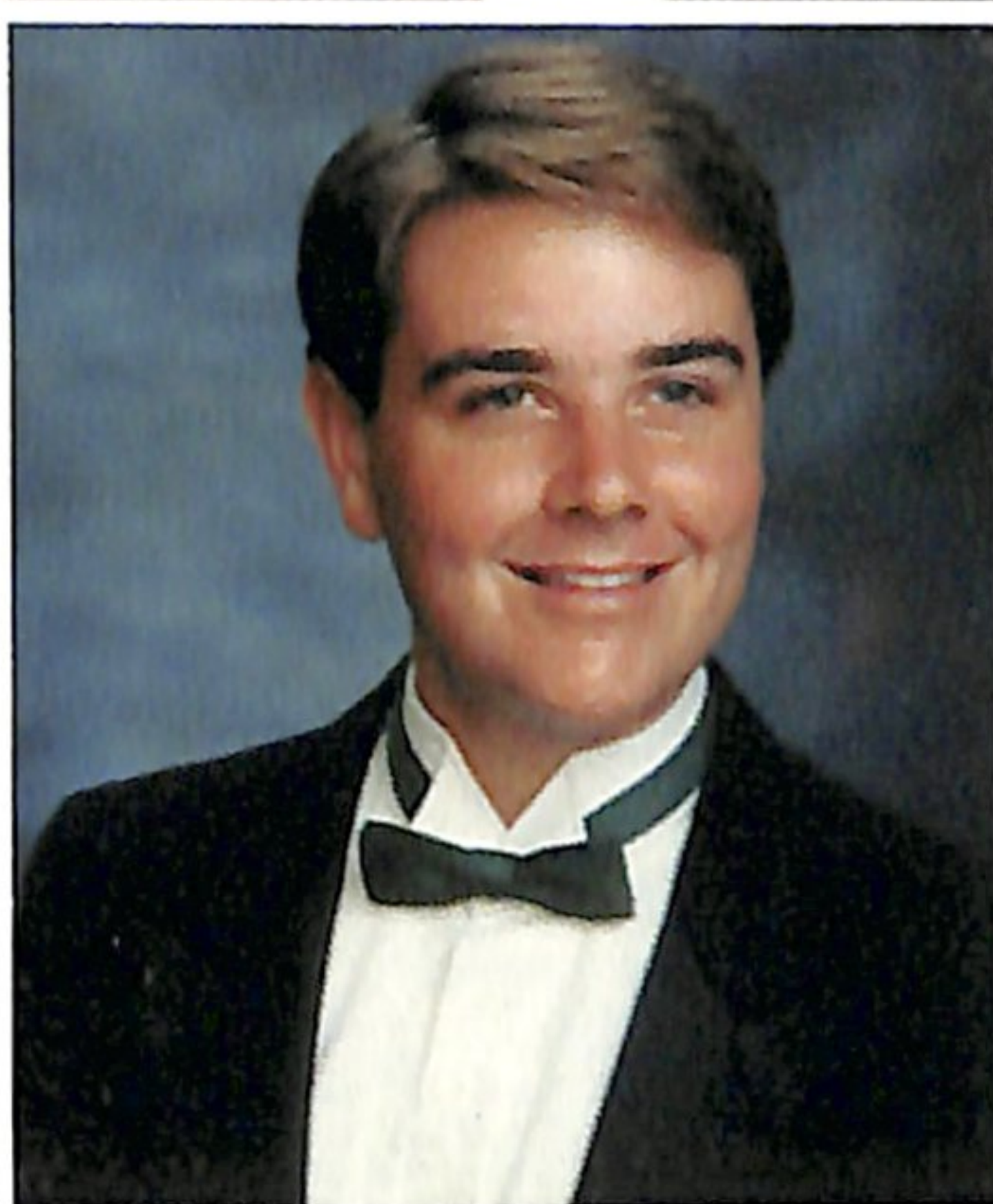


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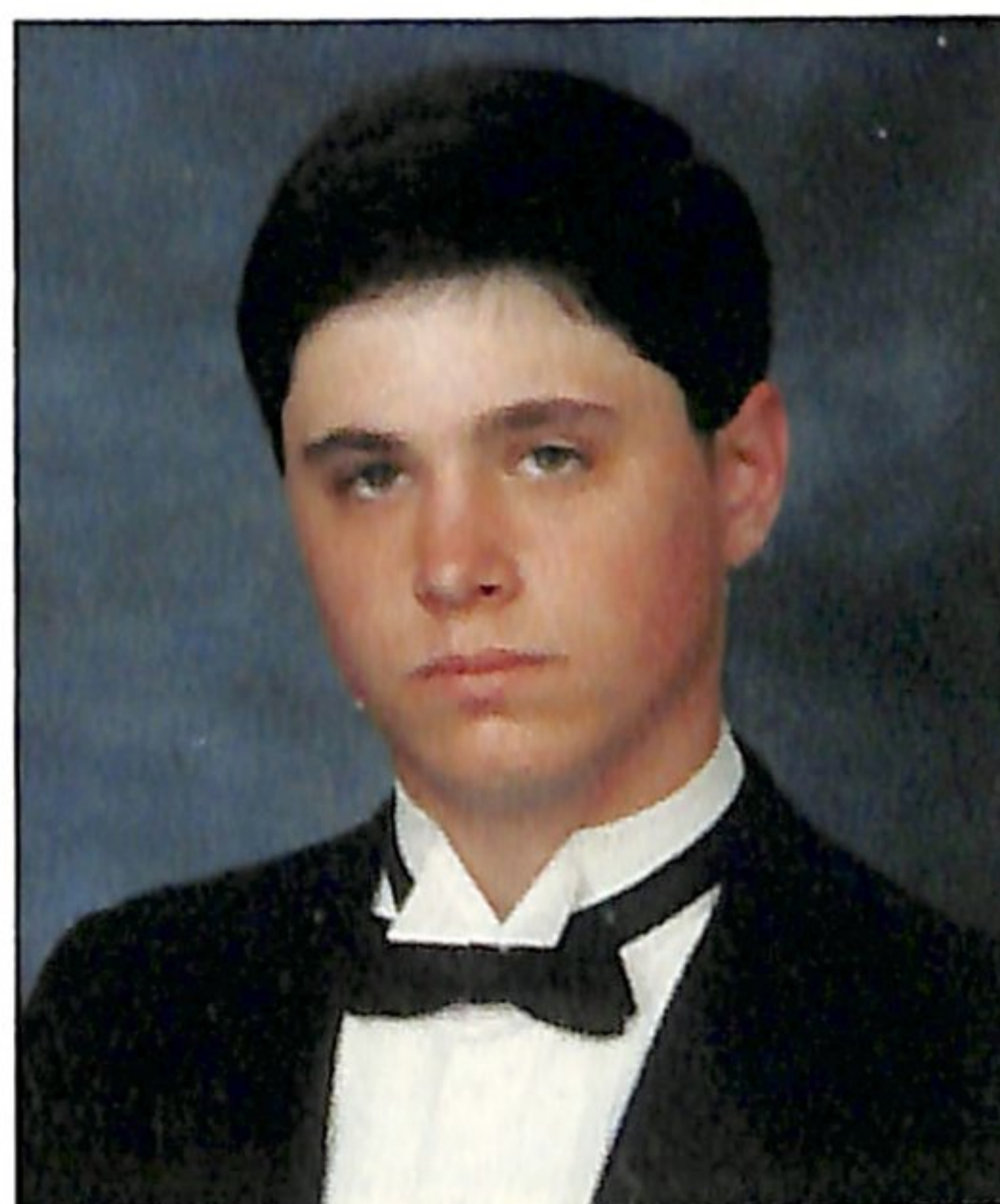




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Jan Neeley



Oriana Nesbit
Michael Ng
Hang Kim Nguyen
Kenneth Nicholas



TC Norvas
Jami K. Novak
Amy O'Branovich
Marty O'Clair



Moment To Cherish . . .

s she nervously combed that last piece of hair into place and glanced into the mirror 5 more times, she prepared herself for the first date. The doorbell rang and her first date had now begun.

Remember when those emotions began colliding because of the decisions that had to be made? Many people sweated nervously deciding on what they could do to make that date perfect. What were those decisions that made one bite their nails before their date? "I had to decide what to say and what to do to make that night fun because I didn't want to feel stupid in front of the guy," Jane Ordonia recalled. Sometimes the pressure is lessened due to friendship. Why wasn't Larry McGhee nervous about his first date? "Well", Larry said, "there wasn't anything to be nervous about because I knew the girl already and we both liked each other, so that made the date easier." Nervousness may differ under certain circumstances. Johnny Gallegos explained, "I was nervous because we had to ride the bus to the movies and I didn't know what the girl would think of me."

At times, the first date might end with a first kiss. The kiss makes the date more memorable by leaving a lasting impression. "I was scared because it was my first real kiss and I didn't know how to kiss. Then I just got used to it after awhile", Joyce Wan remembers. There were probably butterflies in their stomachs, flying around like crazy before that first kiss but what were their feelings afterwards? "I was happy that it was over because it was slimy and gross," Rosendo Ramirez said.

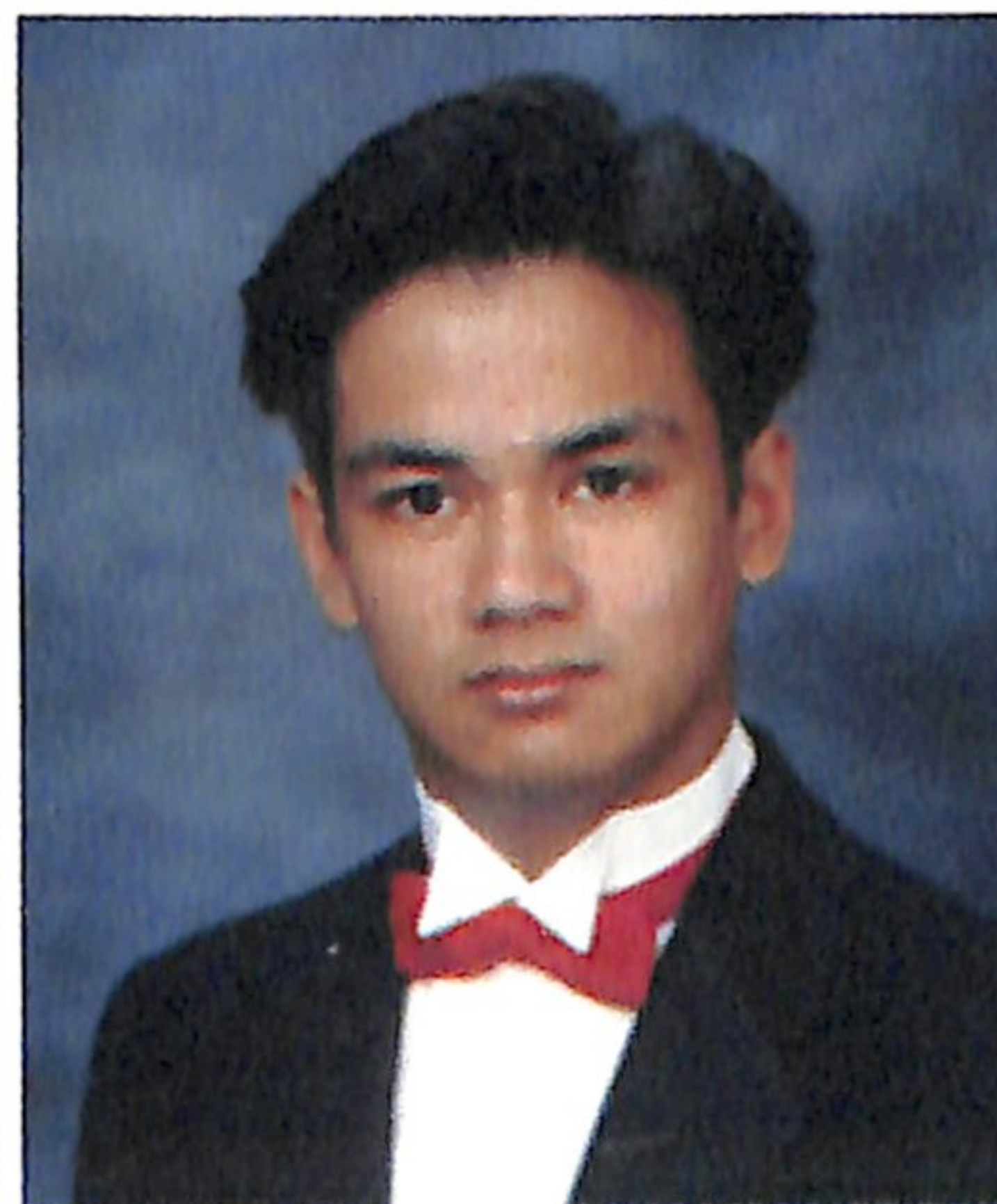
Having that first date or kiss would be a memory you would treasure for all your years to come. It's also a special moment in life that shows one is growing up. "Realize how special these moments are because you will never have a second chance to experience them again," Anita Gonzales stated.

“ When I saw him it struck my heart and I couldn't look at him straight in his eyes. -Marilyn Antonio ”

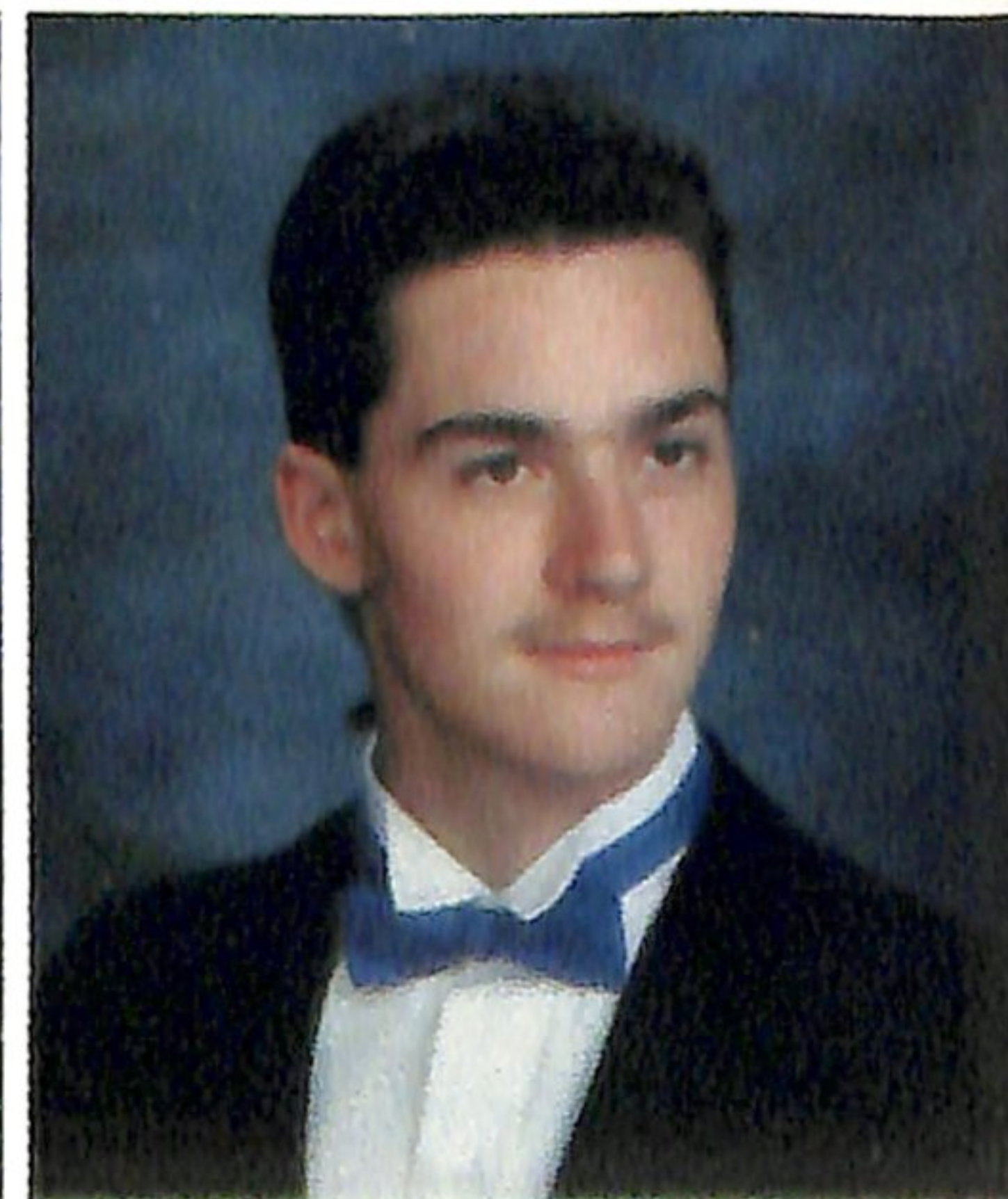
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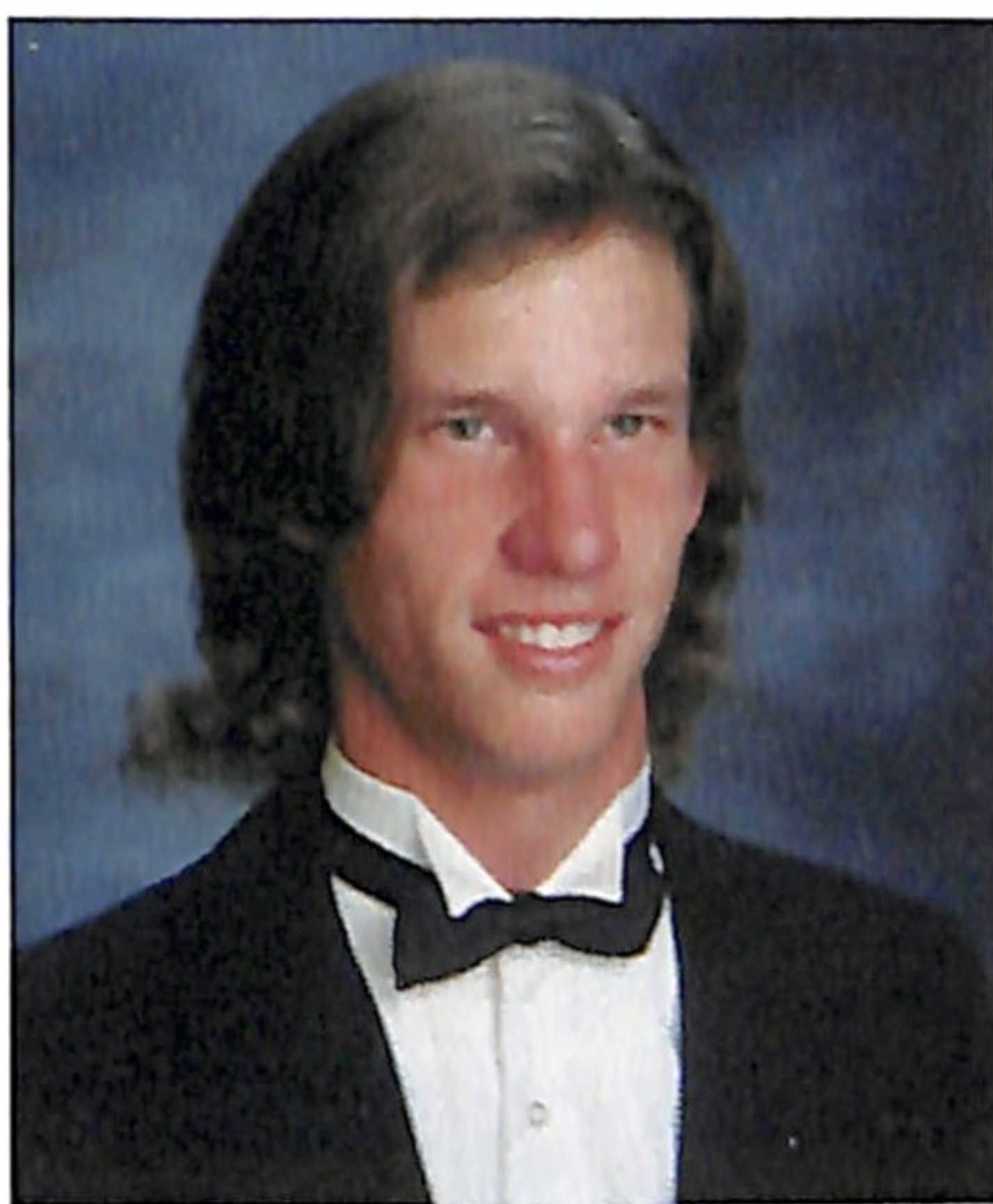


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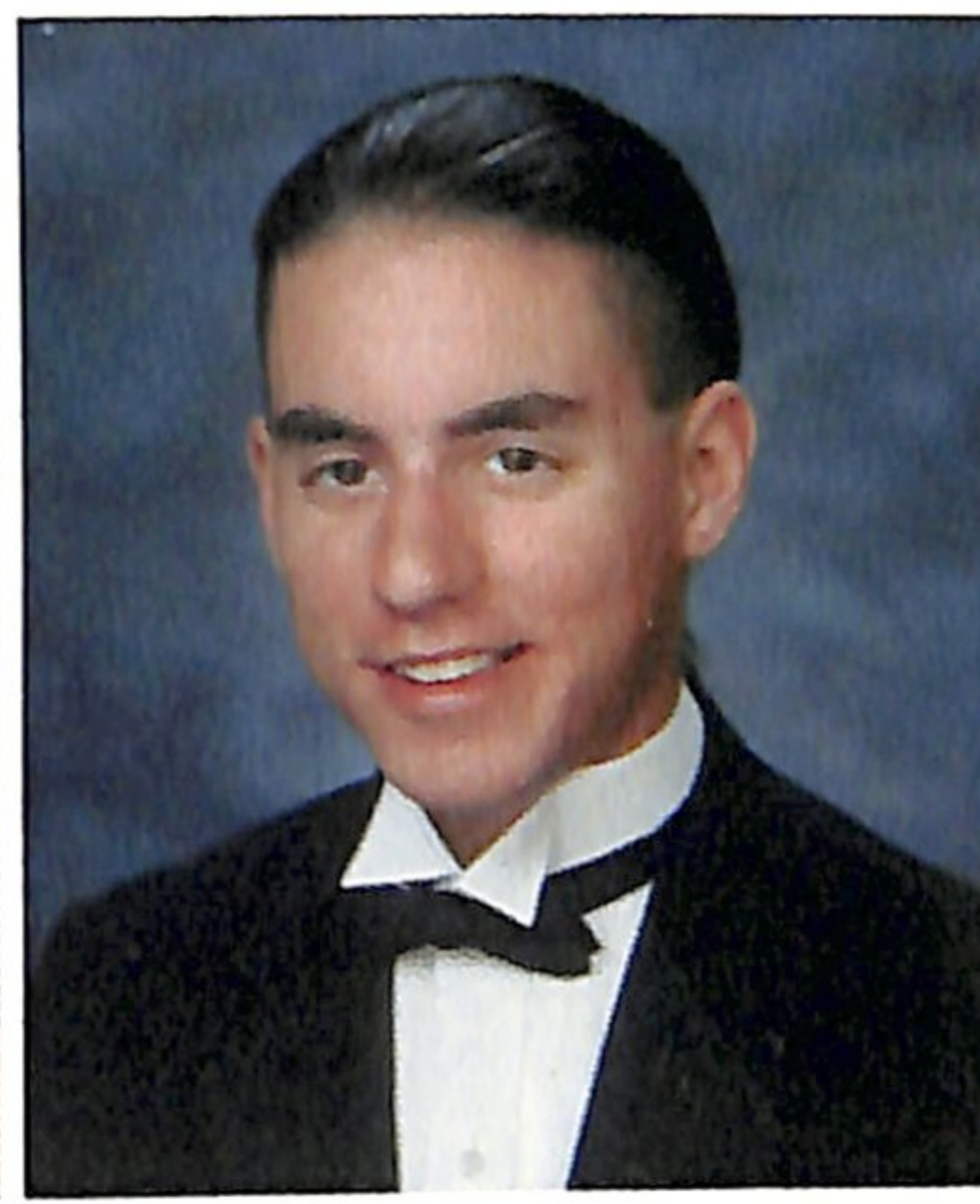
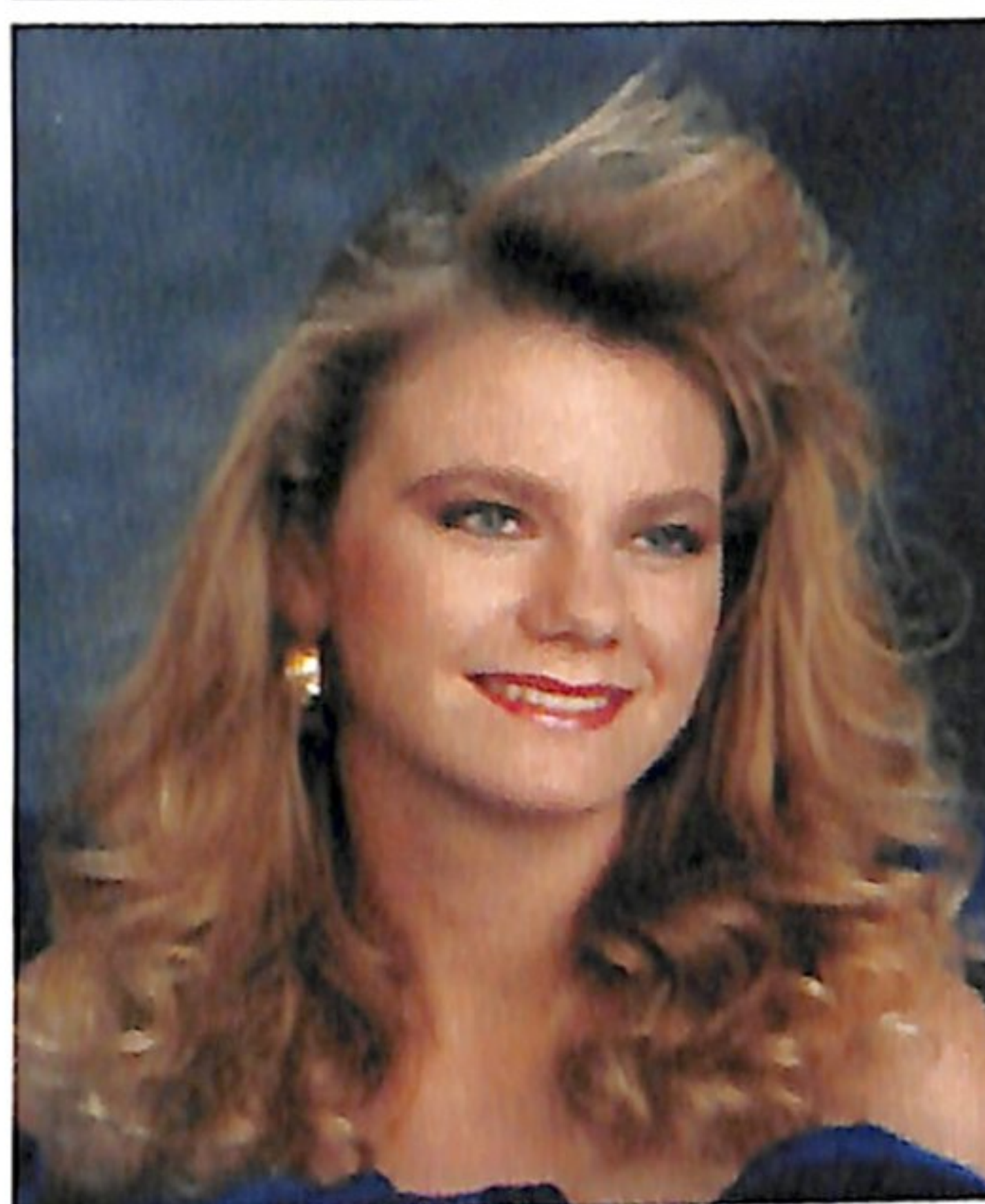
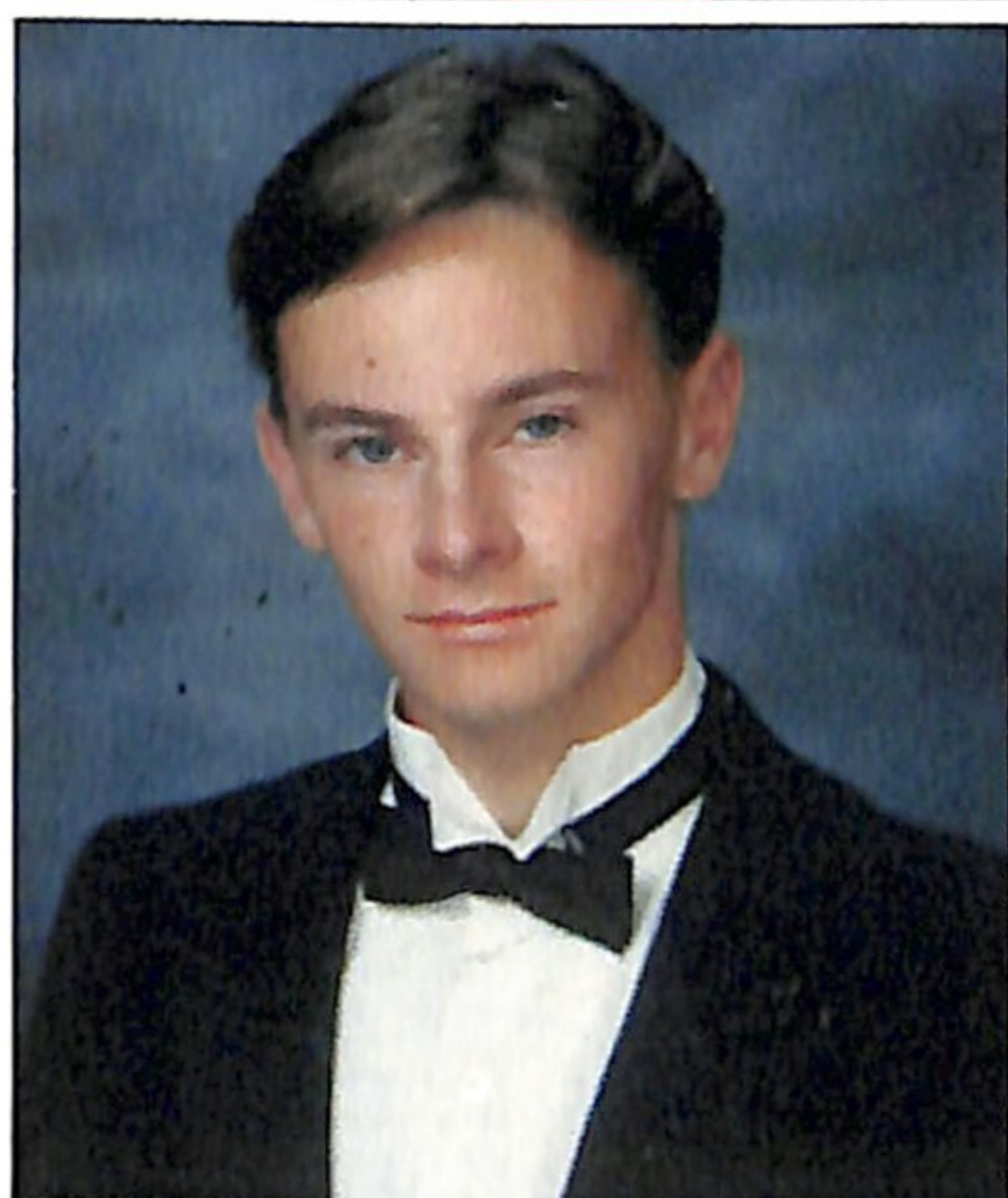




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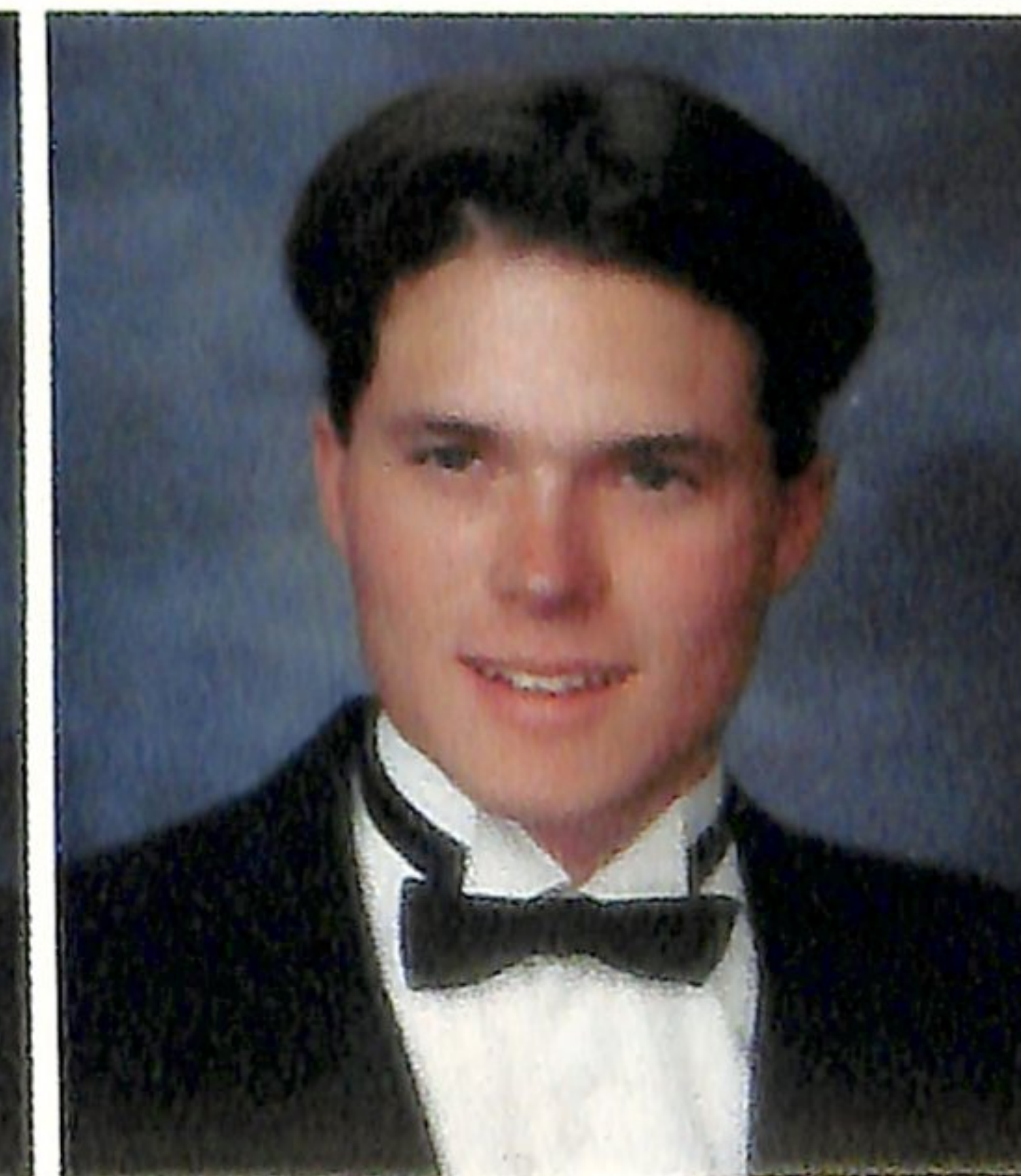
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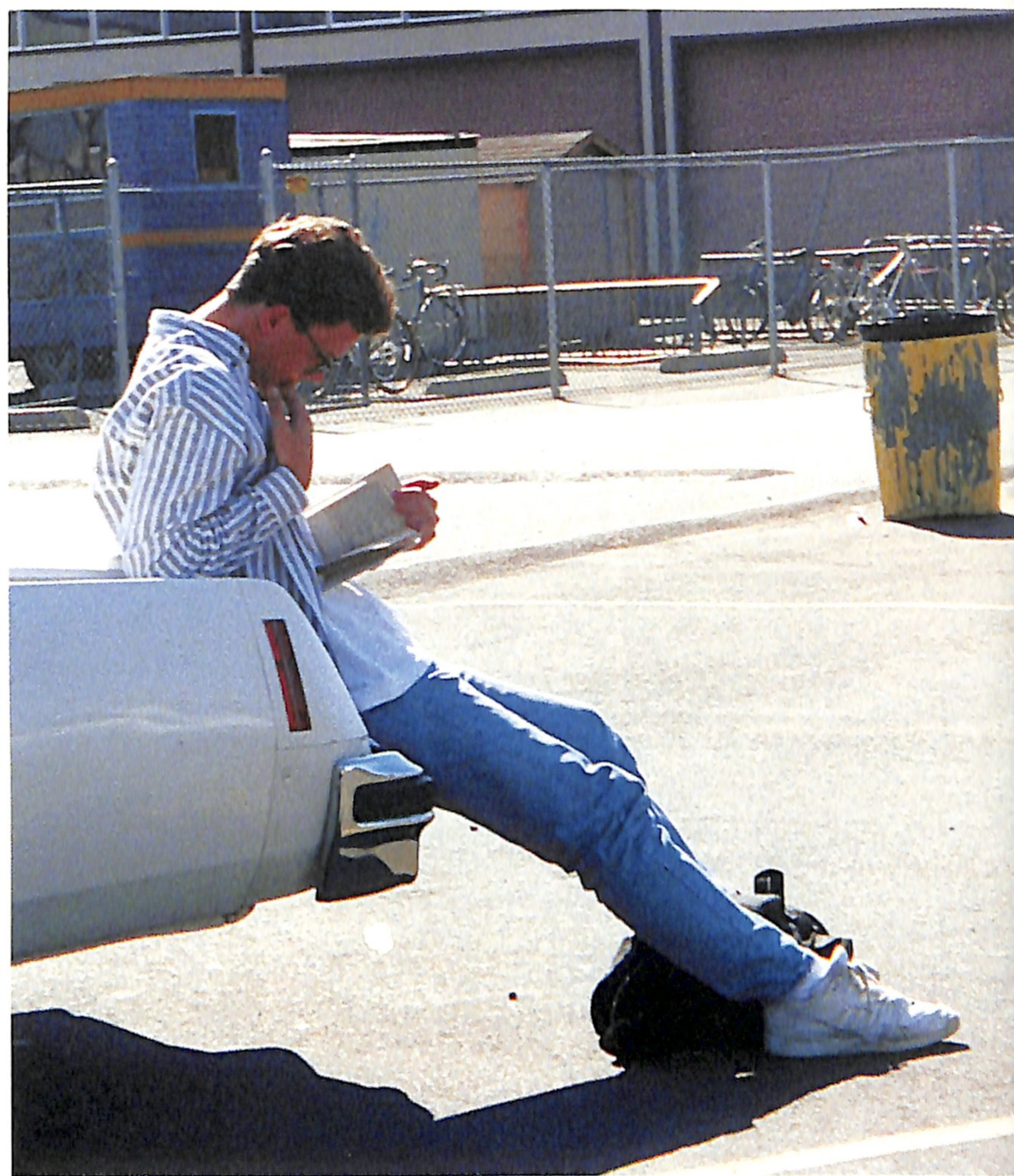
Time alone is an essential part of any seniors year. The purpose of spending time alone varies from individual to individual. It allows one to take time out to think, to make decisions for oneself, to reflect on what has already happened, and to plan ahead for the future. Some have personalized their time alone by reading, singing, walking, or listening to music.

"I reflect on all aspects of my life, especially the future and how close I am to being on my own. I don't dwell on it because it is frightening, especially with graduation around the corner," stated Diane Eddington. Lovdip Basi said, "I think about college, my future, and whether or not I will succeed." Richard Torrey has a different way of spending his time. "When I am alone if I am not thinking about homework or friends, I am usually thinking about girls to flirt with and where I can take them on a date." Lance Williams said, "I contemplate and just think about anything that comes to mind from school to sports to my future." For Ian Ulibarri, his quality time is spent thinking and relaxing with his favorite activities. "I might write music, practice my guitar, or program my keyboard," said Ian.

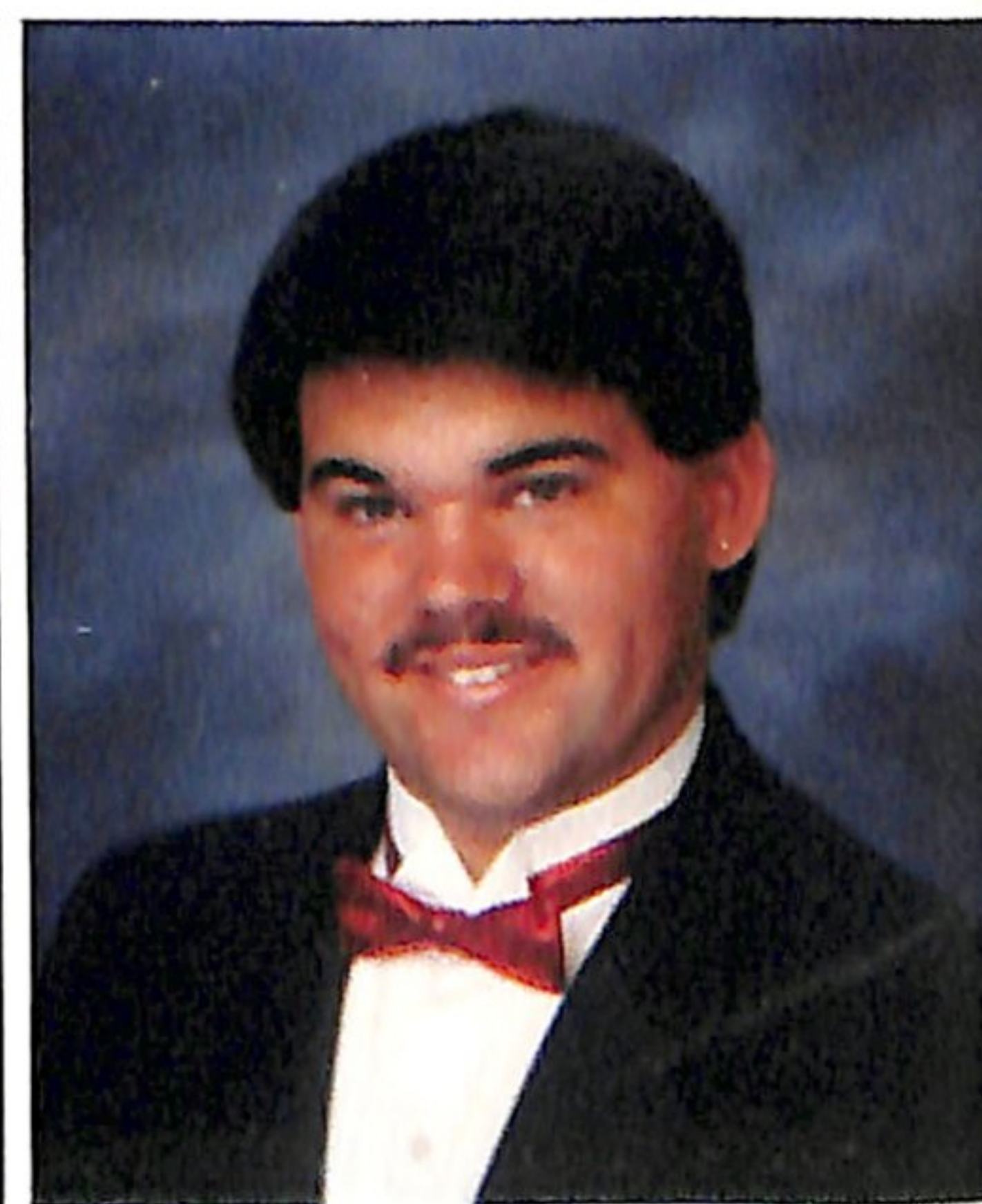
There are different ways to relax while you are alone. Reading is one way Gerona Goethe gets away from it all. "One of my favorite pleasures is to escape from the world in a good book. In a book I can visit different continents, experience new adventures, and never leave my room," Gerona said. "The way I spend time alone is getting away by taking long walks. It relieves pressures and rejuvenates me," said Judy Gilbert. While reading and walking are two ways to relieve tension, Tahirah Muhammad likes to listen to music. "Music soothes my soul when I am alone. Depending on my mood I might choose to listen to Jodeci, Mariah Carey, or Ice Cube," she said.

Many view being alone as being lonely, but for many seniors being alone is a time to tune out everything else and tune into themselves.

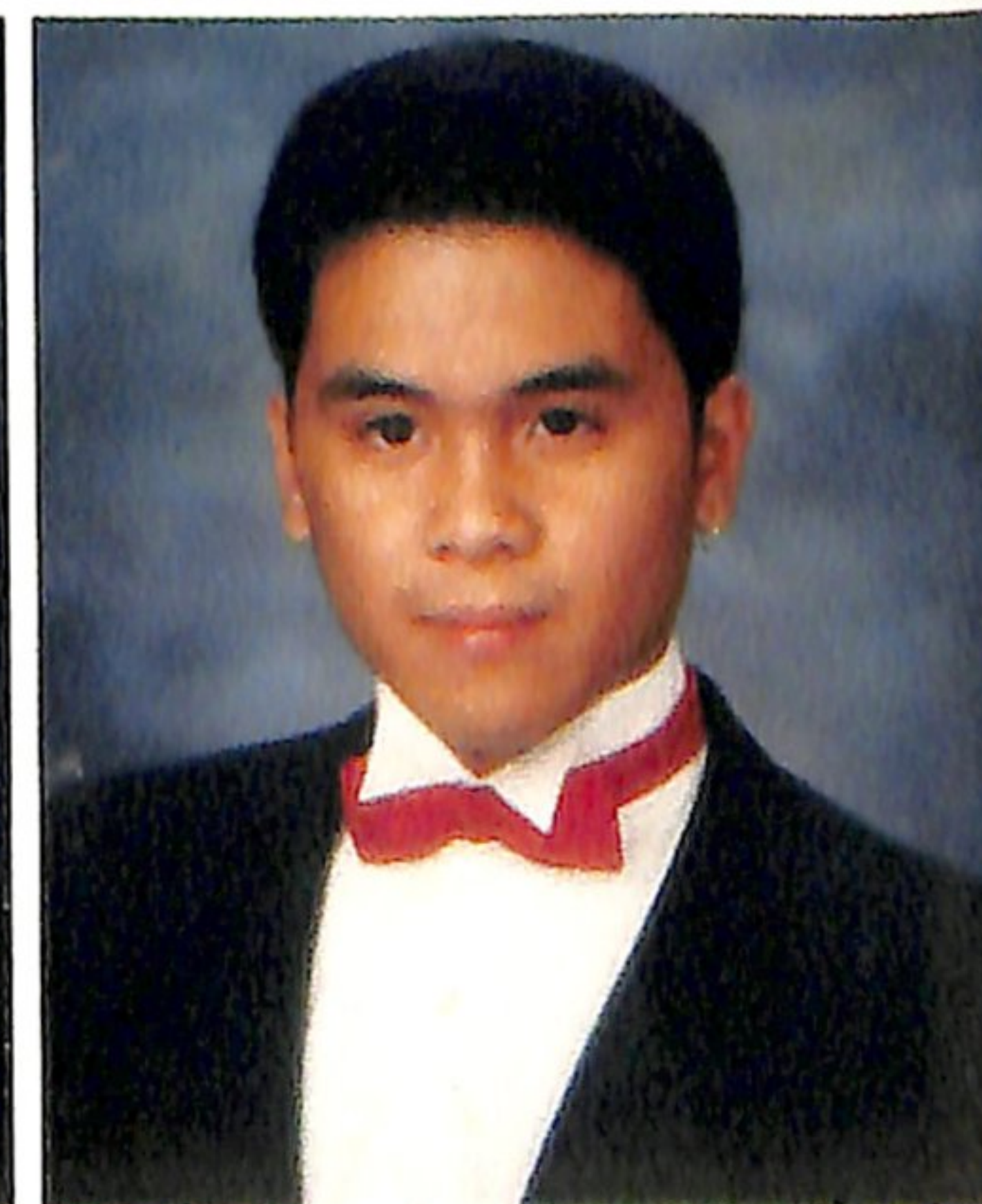
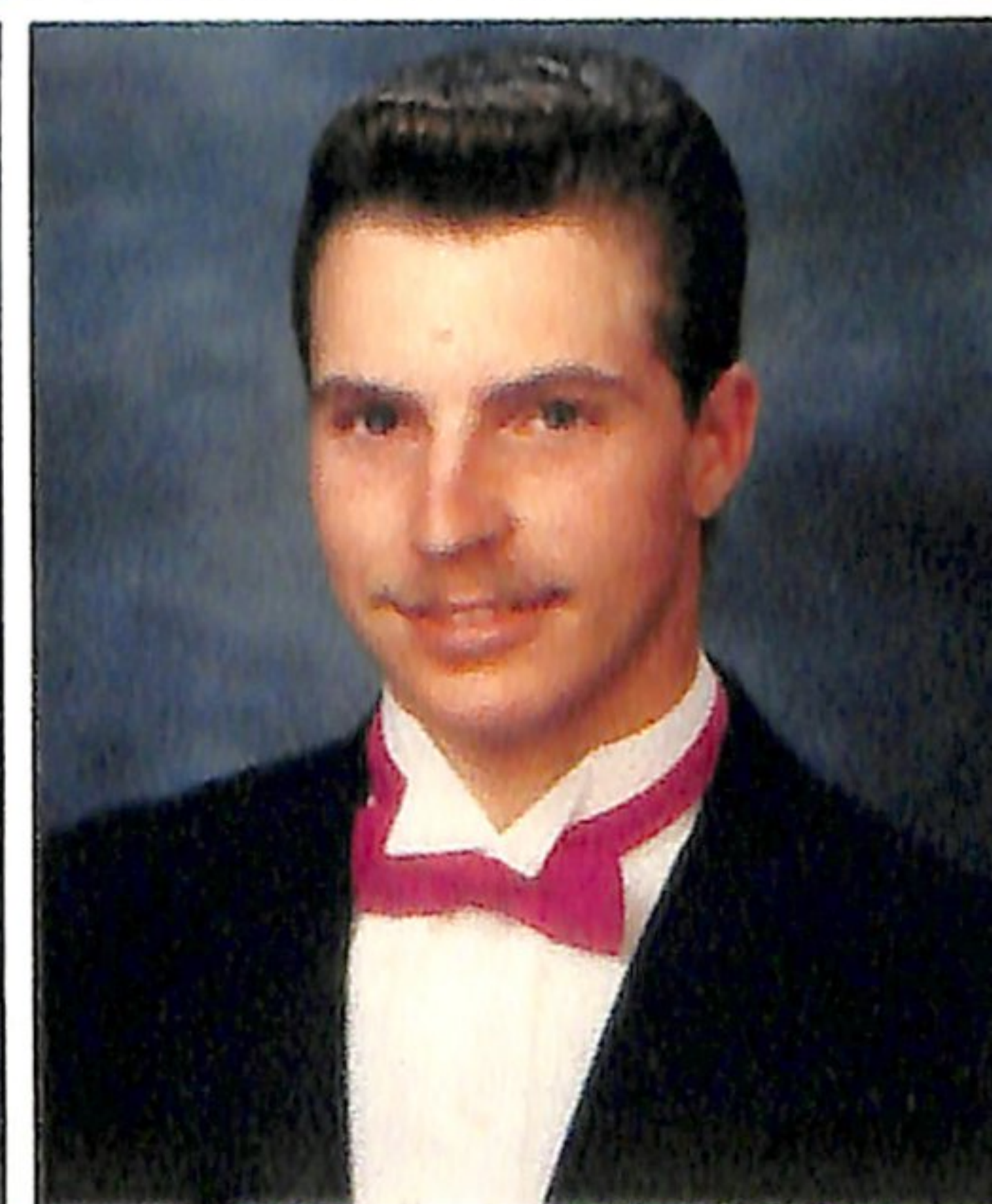
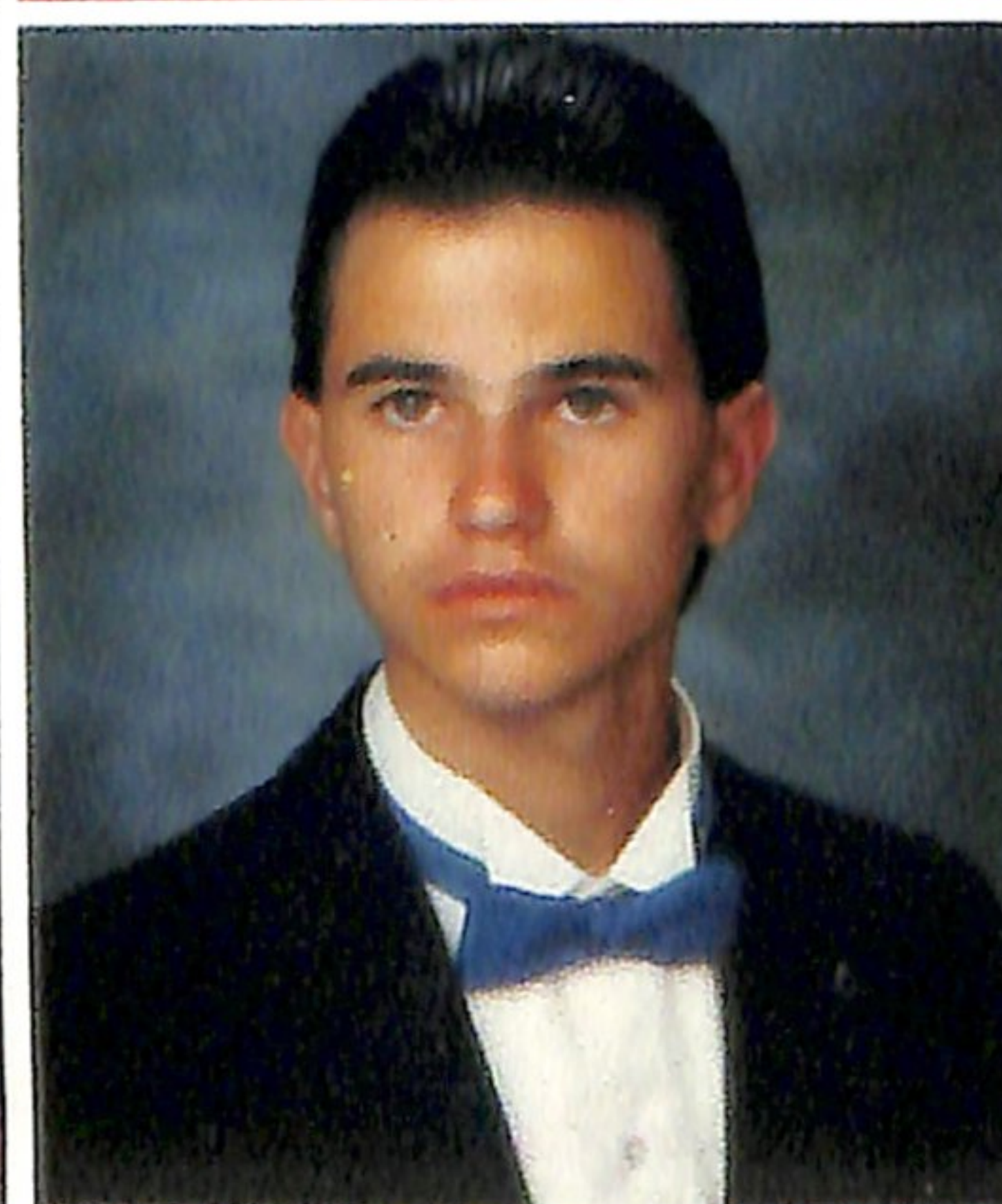
At lunch time in the student parking lot, Jason Parkhouse finds contentment in being alone. "I use the time to read about careers that I might choose for myself after graduation," said Jason.



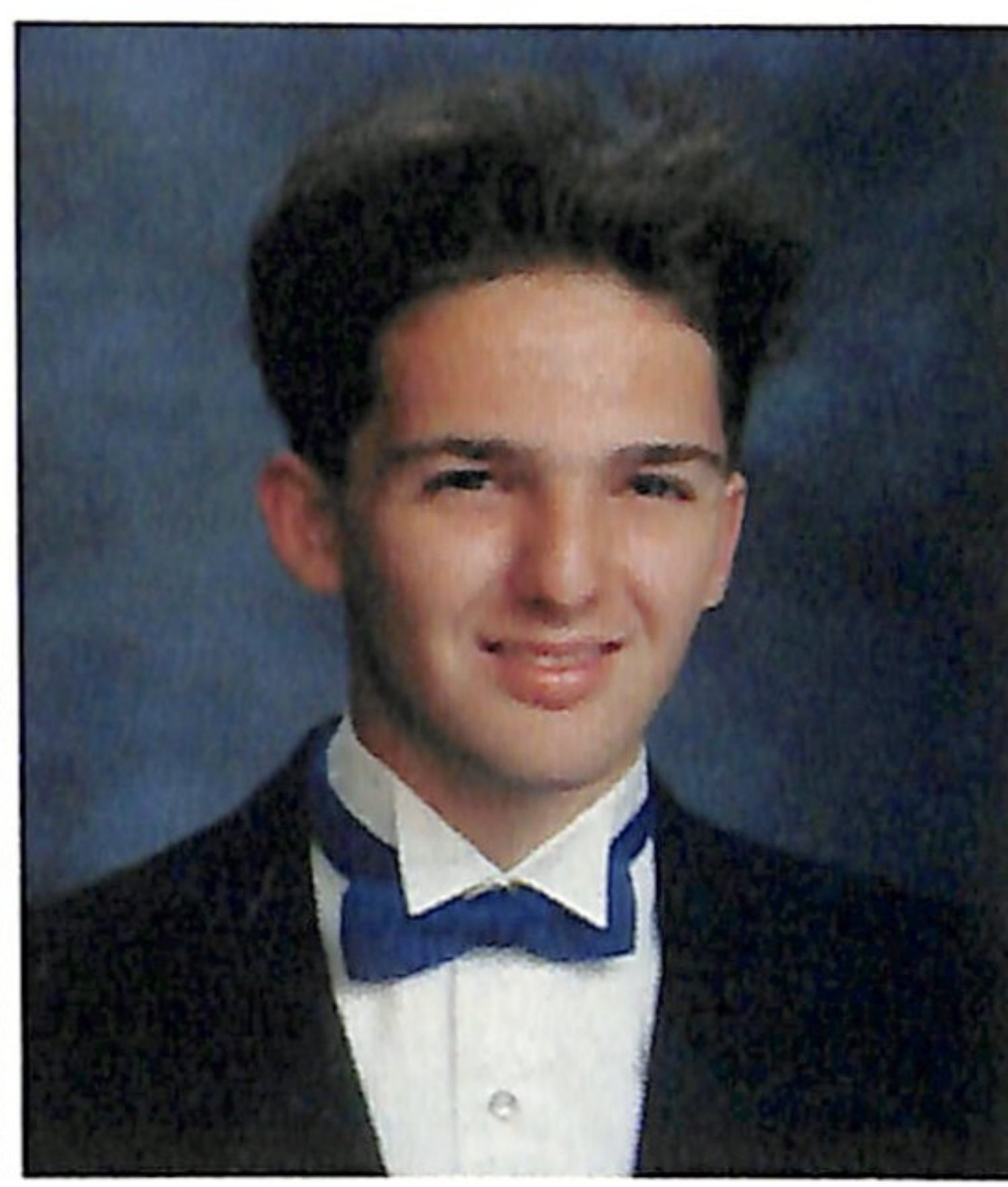
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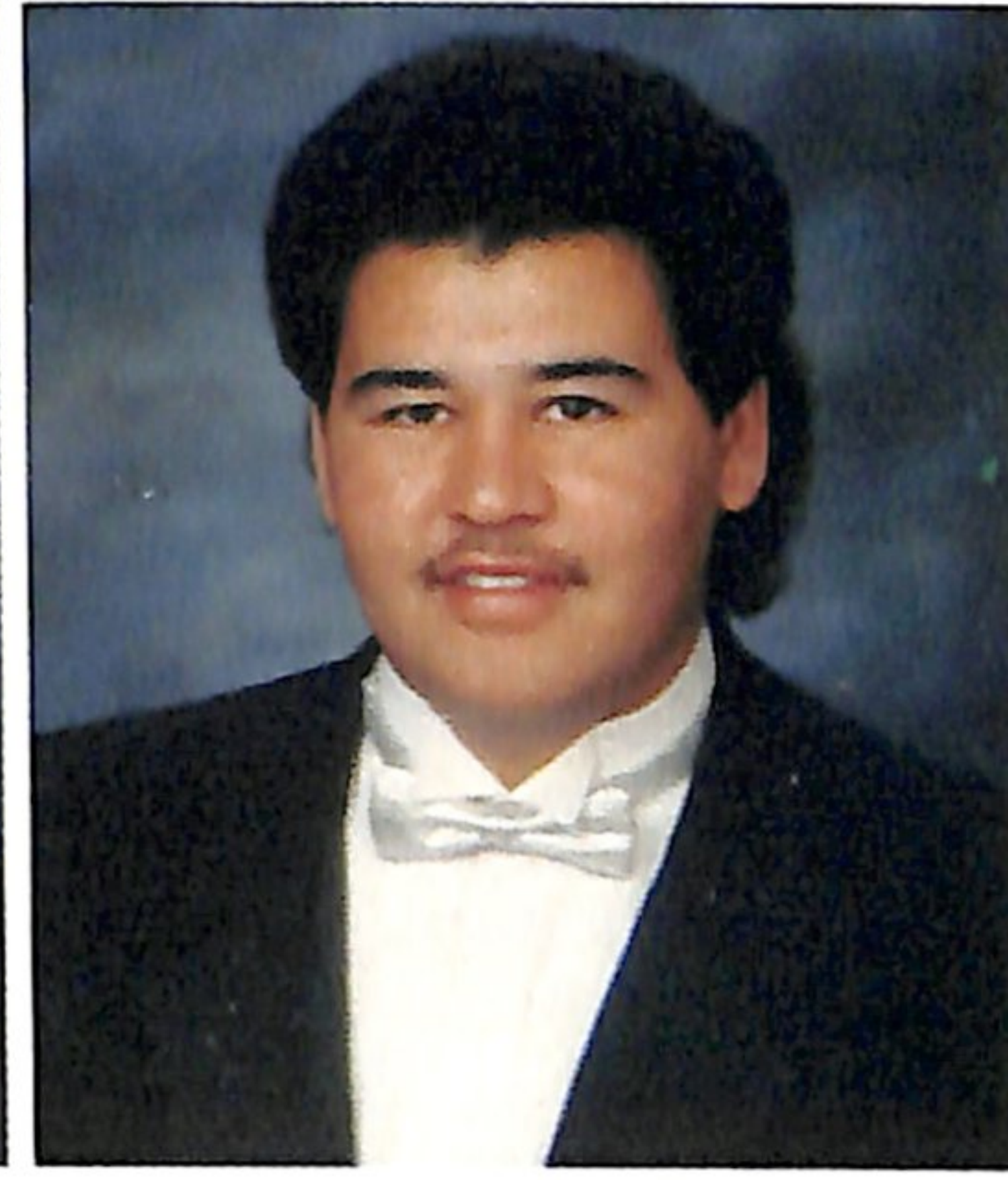
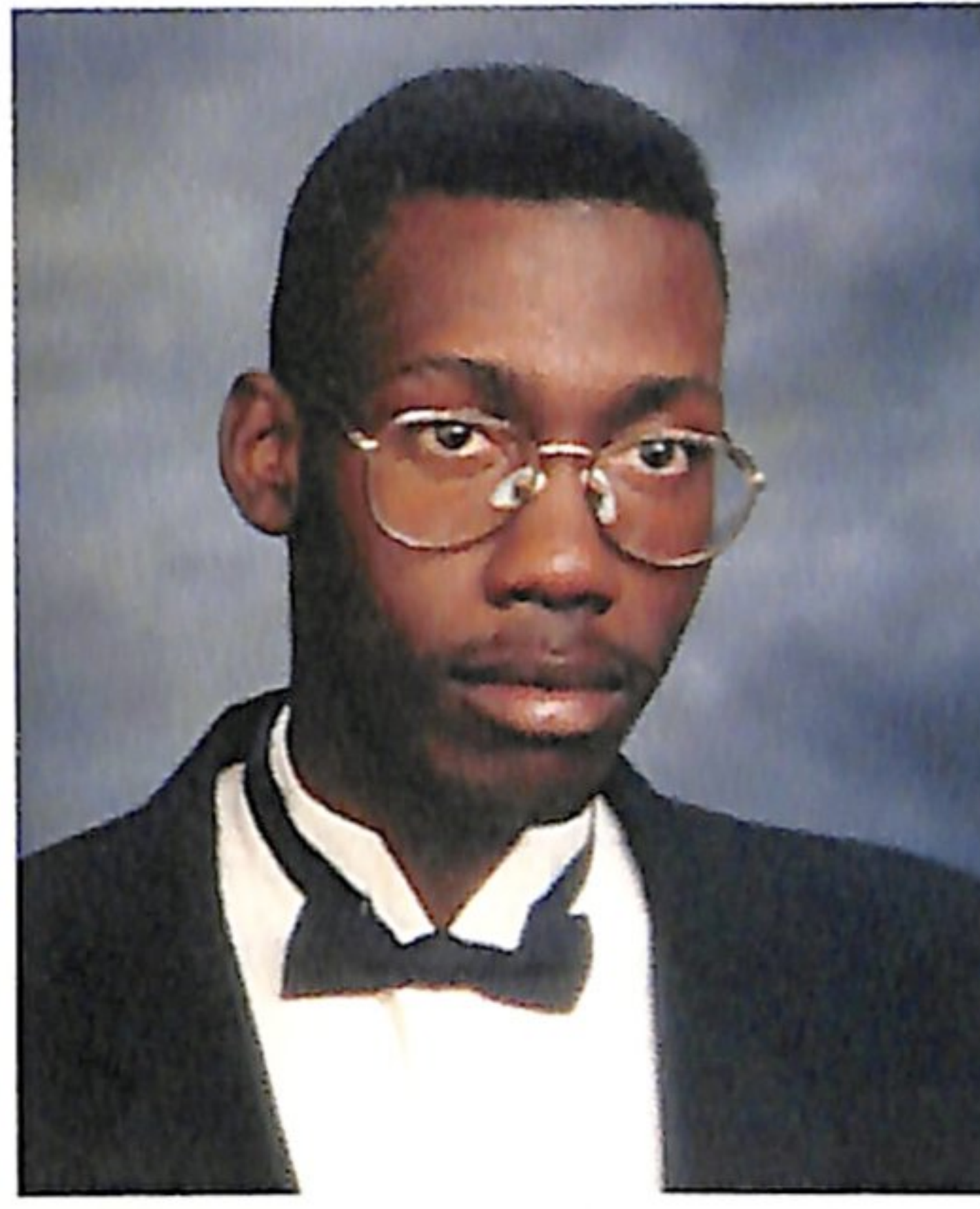
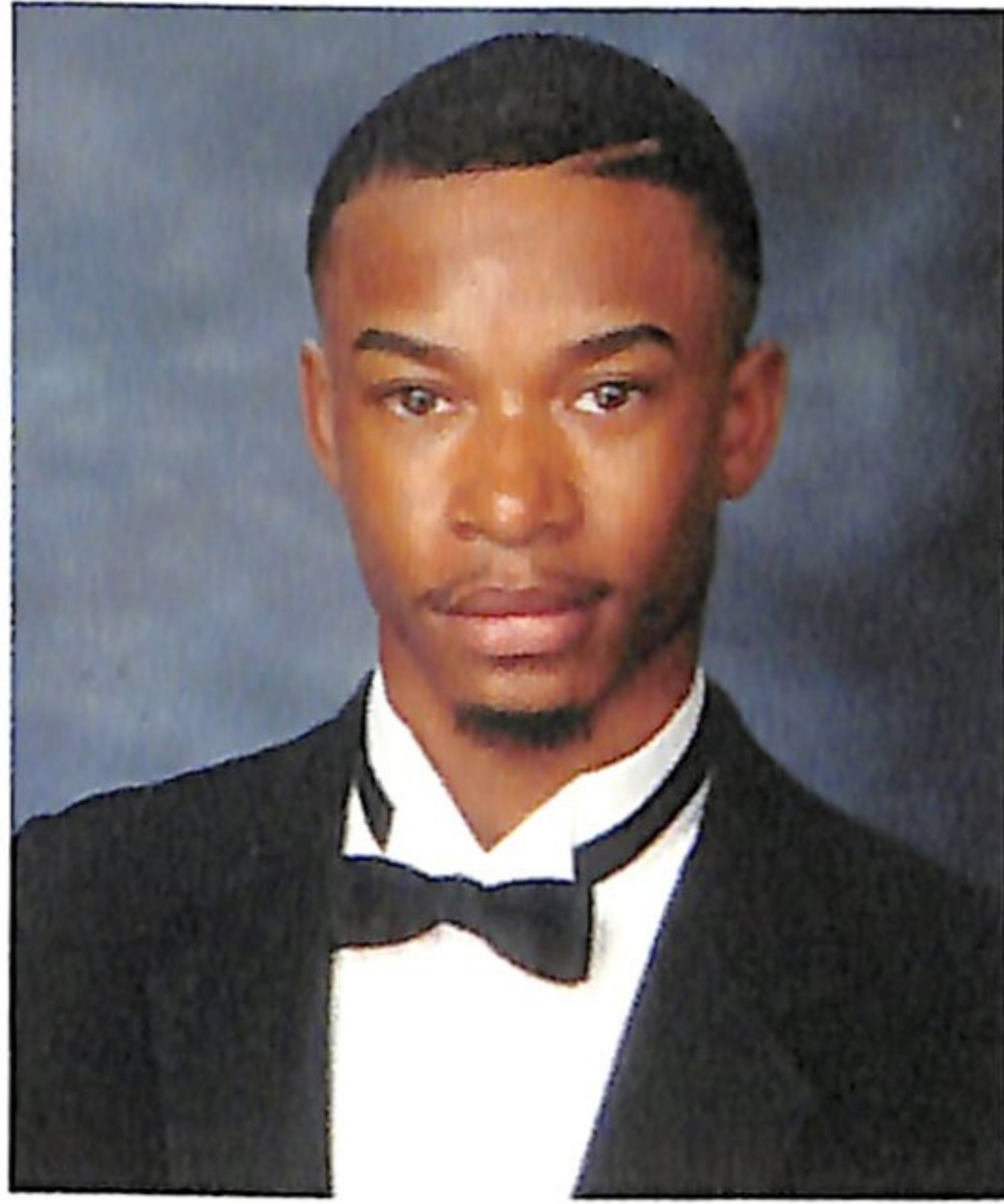
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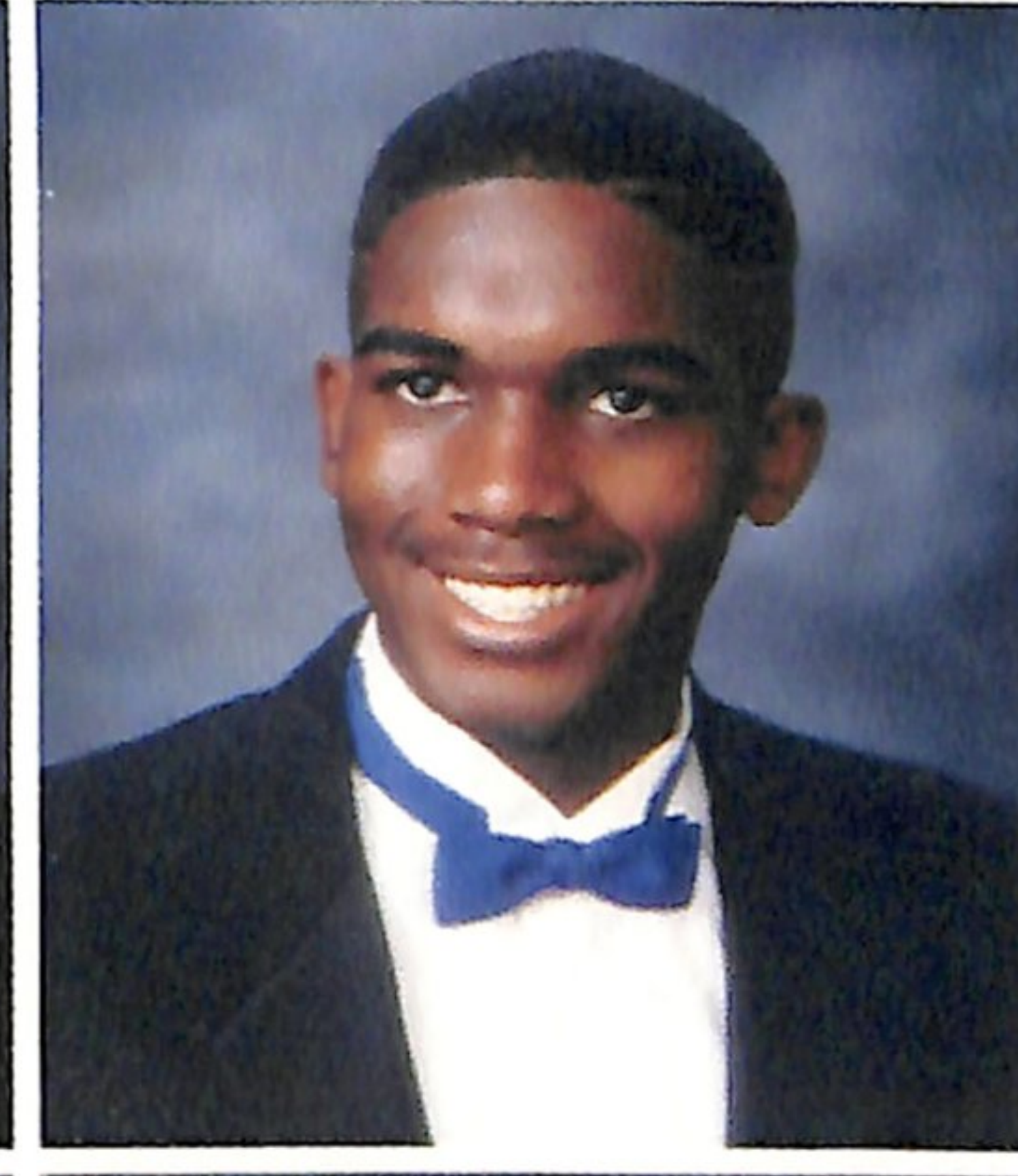
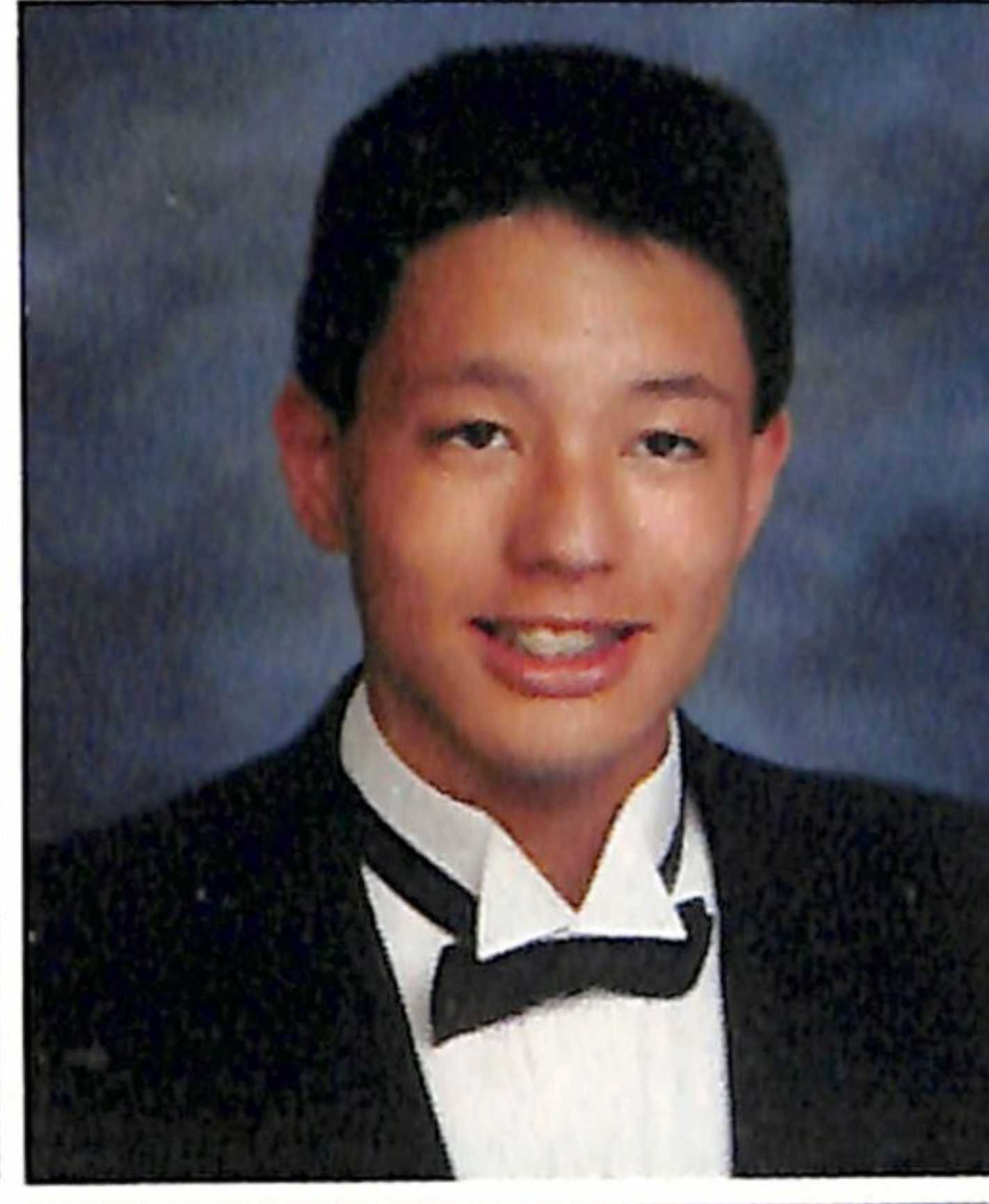
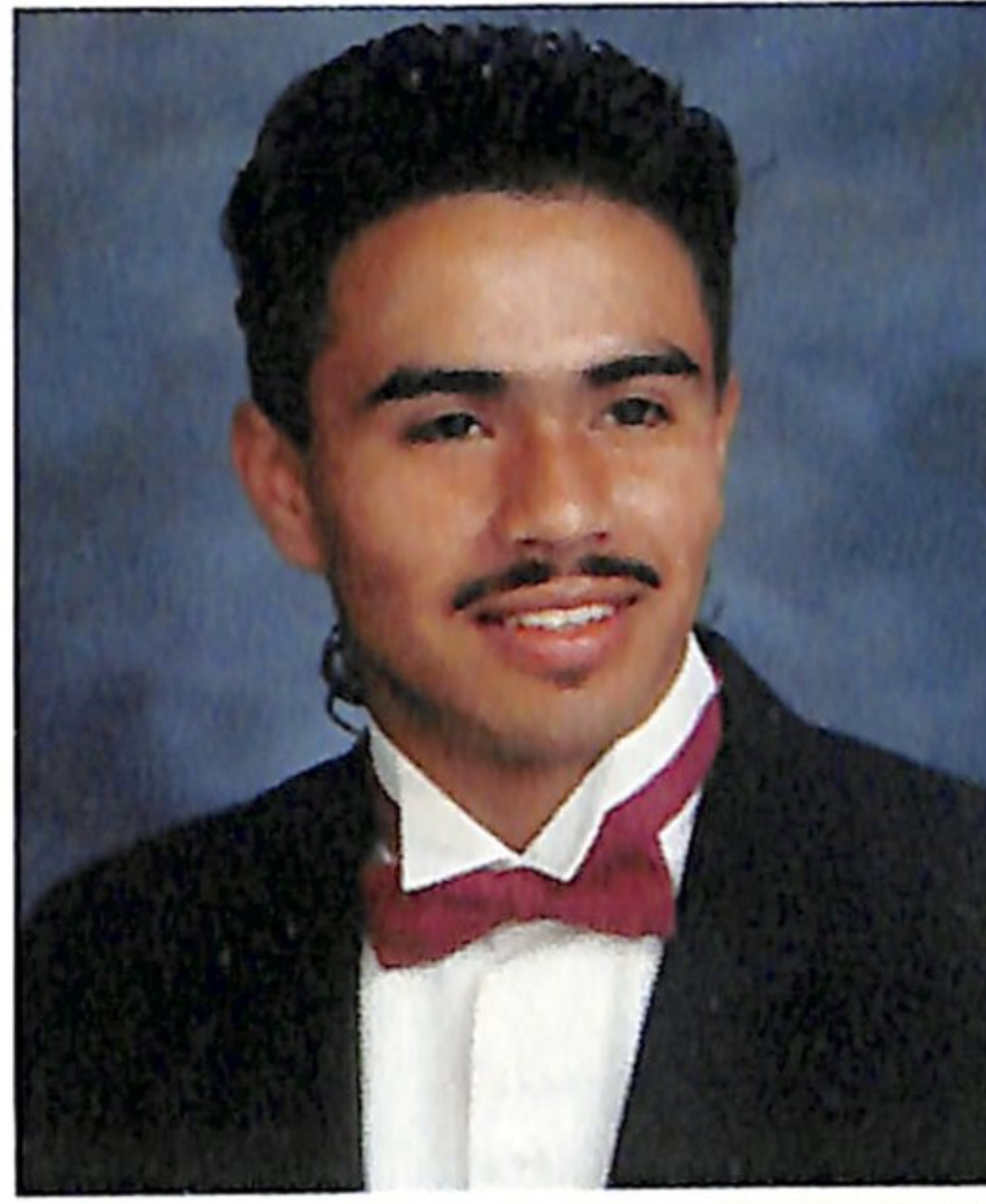
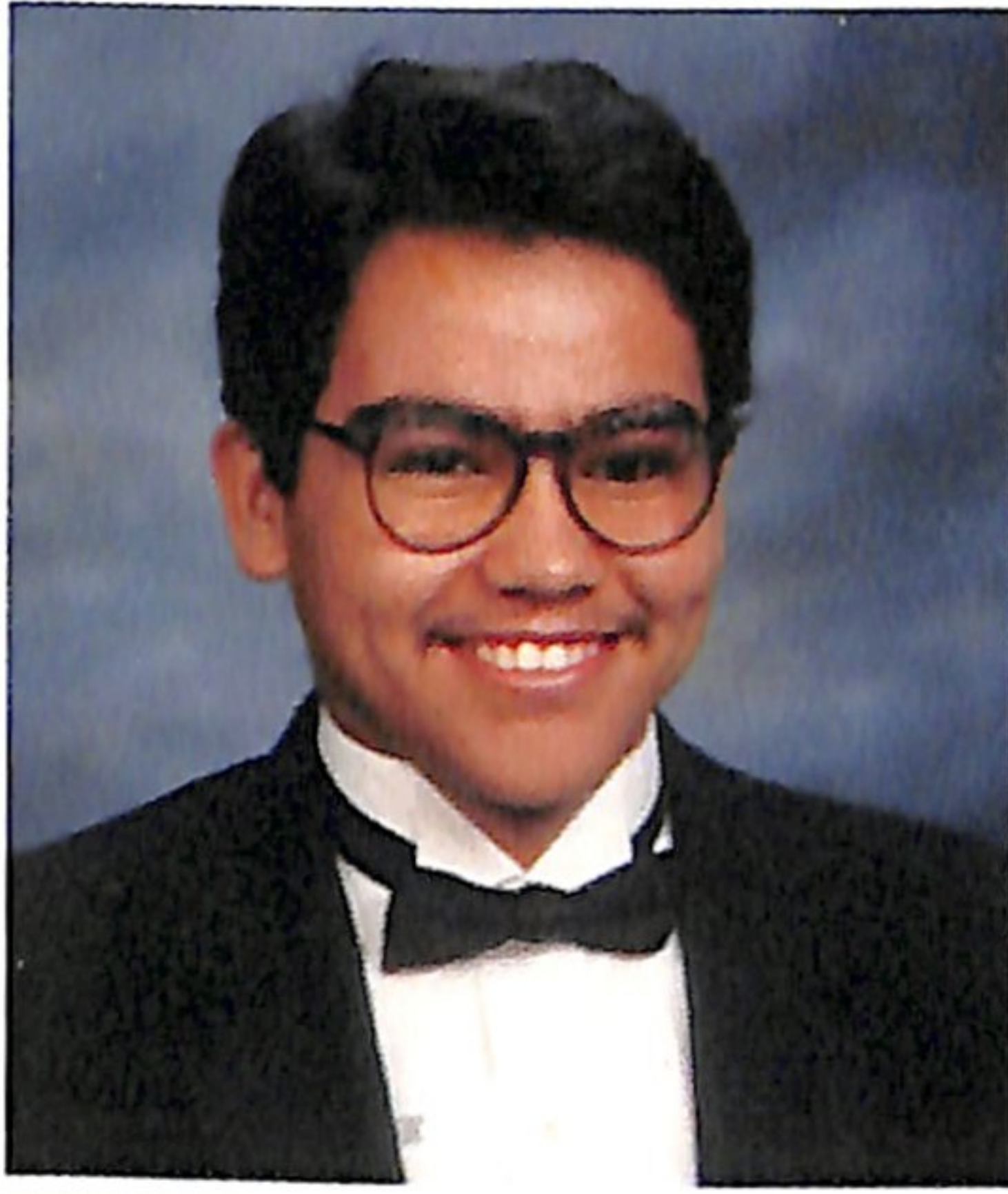
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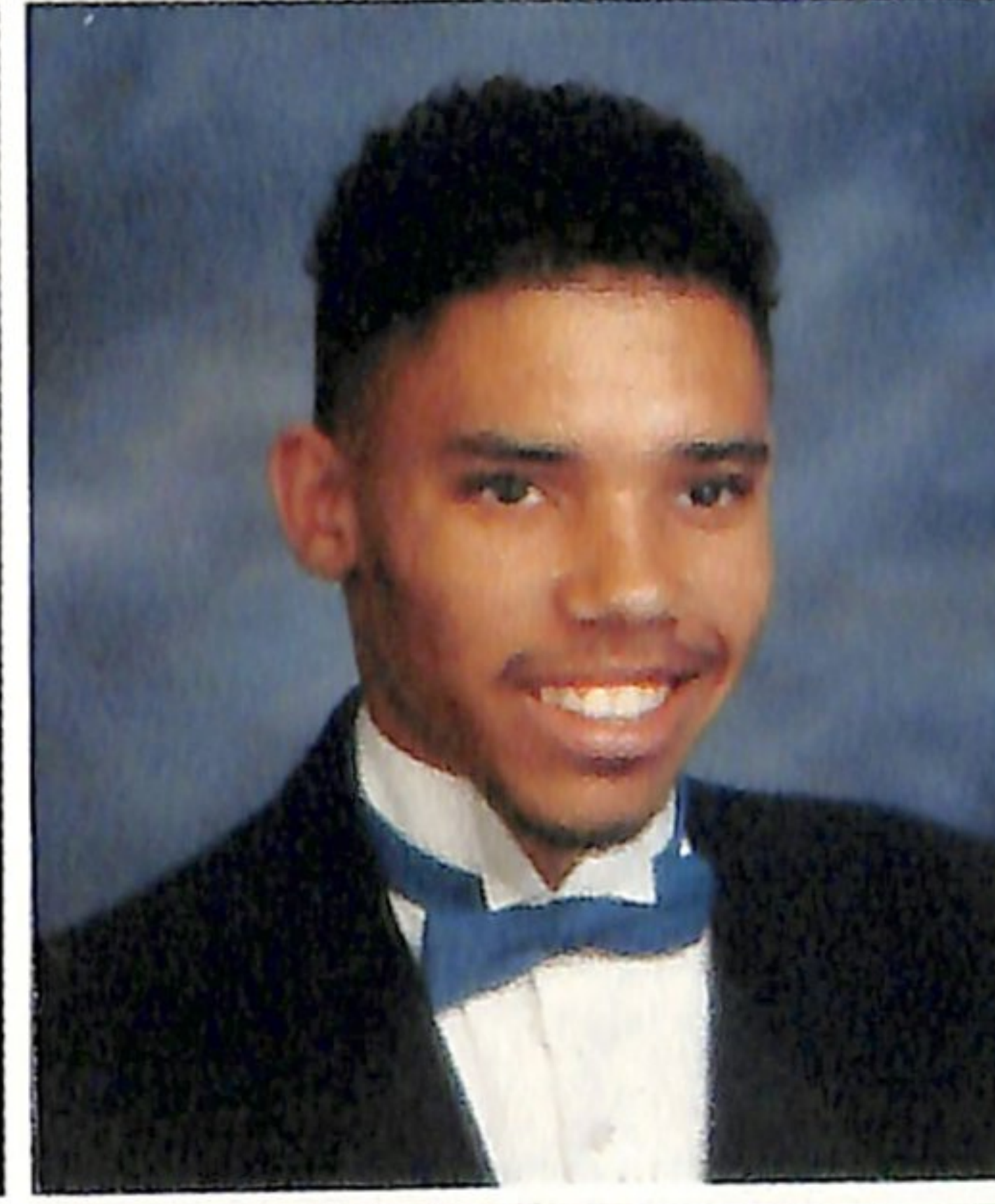
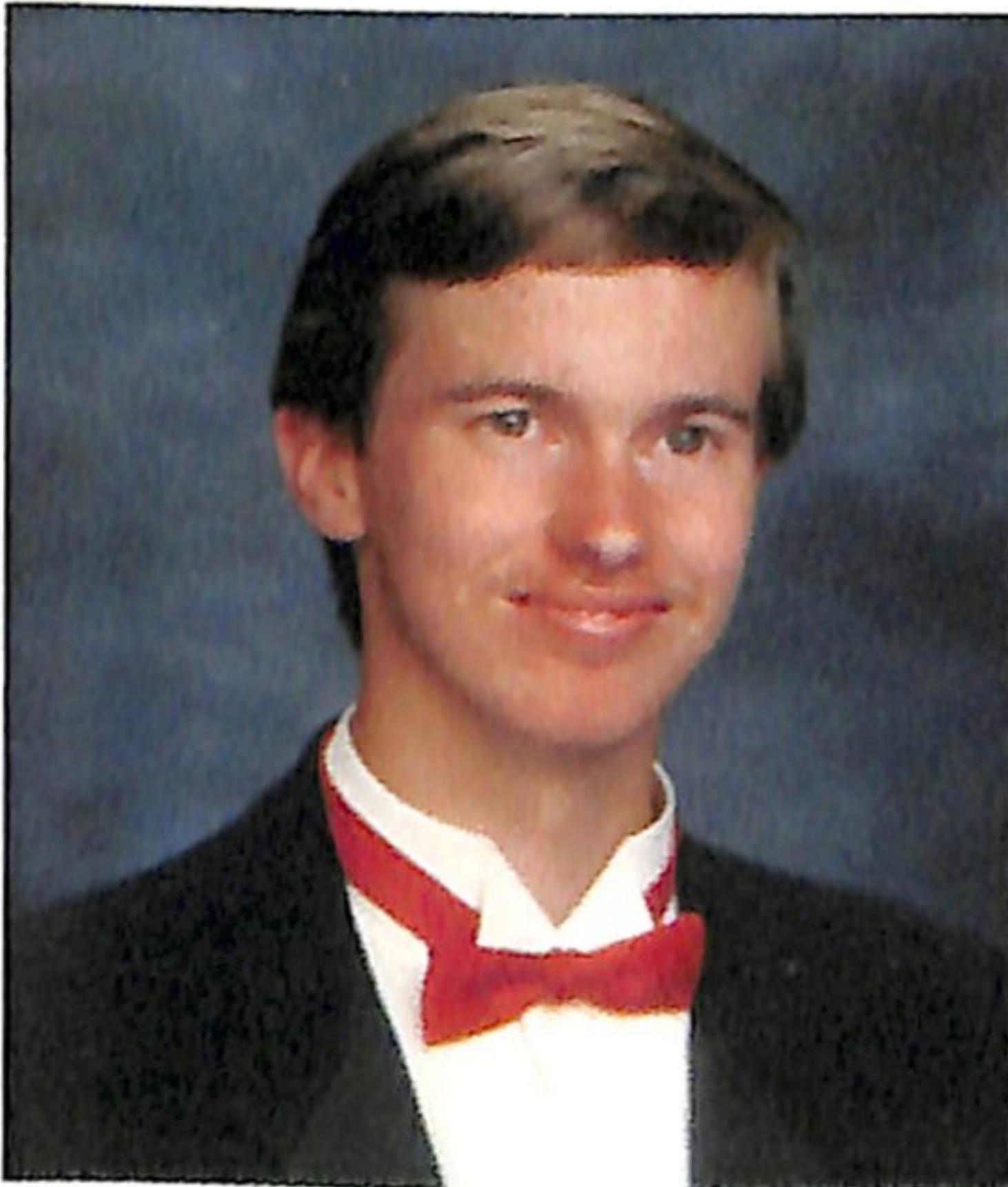
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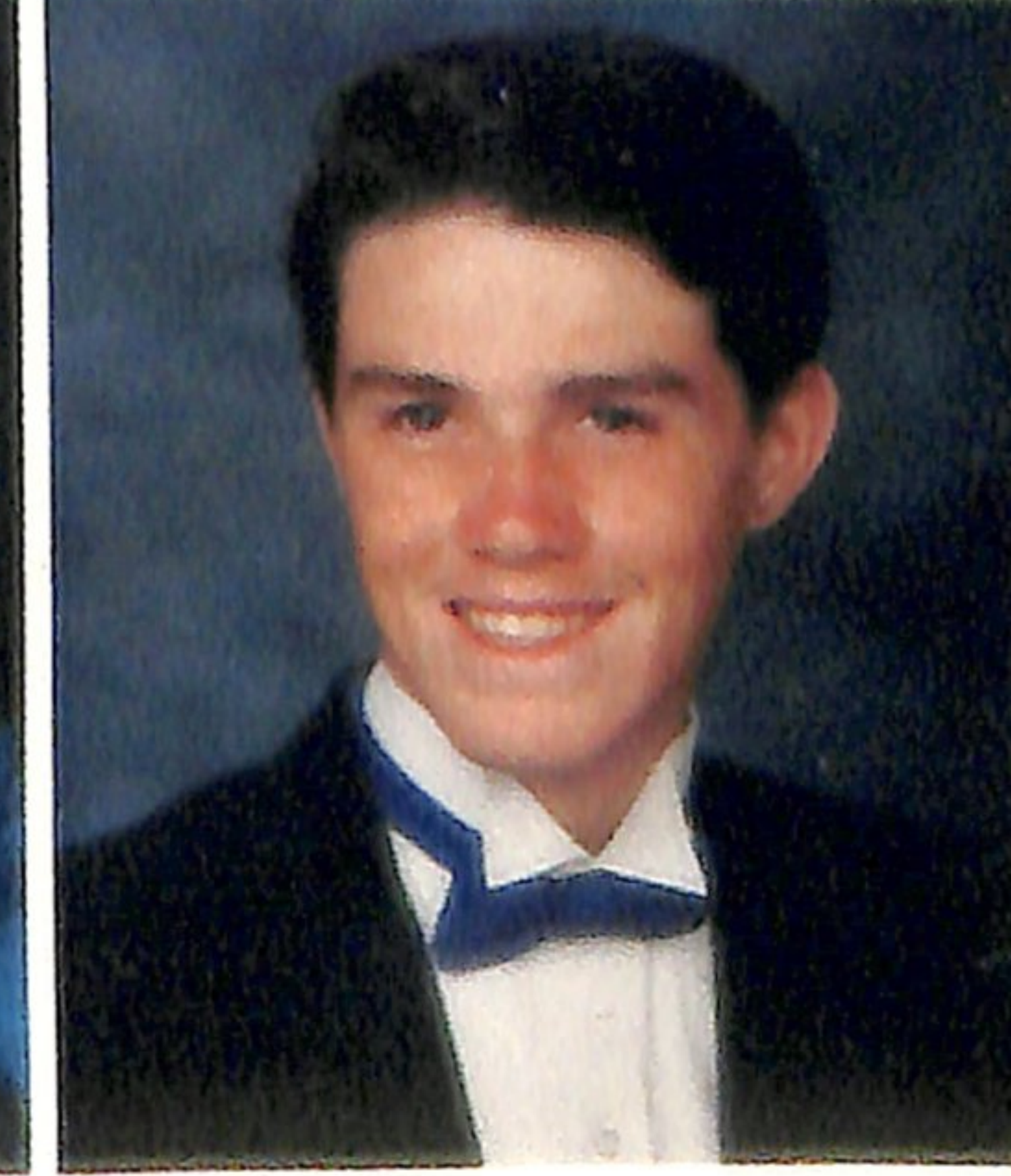
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Nighttime Terror

Nightmares are those scary dreams in which frightening monsters chase people or people free-fall off buildings. Everyone has nightmares, even though some are embarrassed to admit to having them.

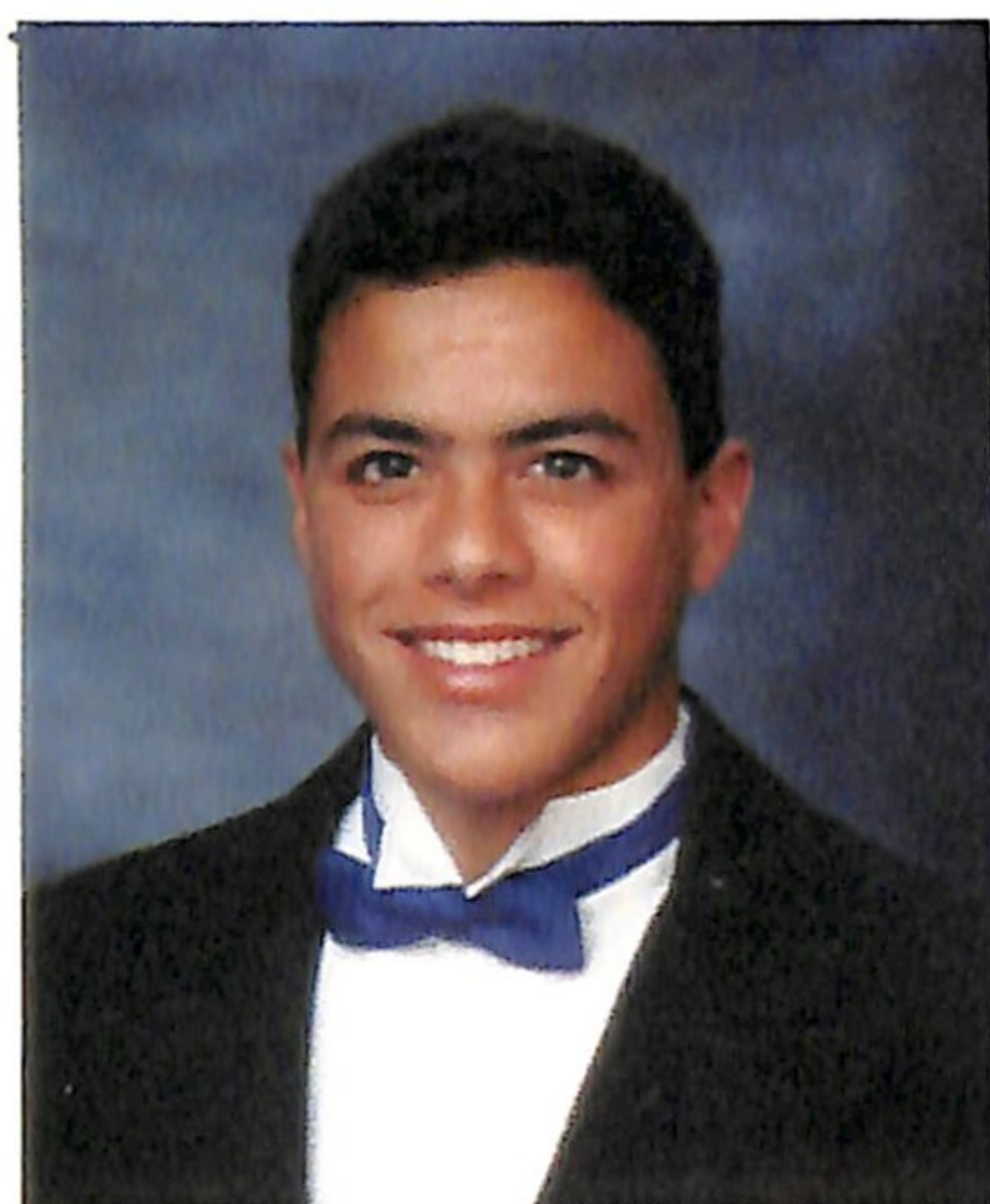
A common nightmare seems to involve characters from novels or television shows chasing people. Natalie Williams is haunted by a recurring nightmare of the INCREDIBLE HULK (the green monster who rips his clothing and becomes overly muscular when angered) chasing her down a never-ending hallway. Shannon Thomas dreams of the clown monster in Steven King's "IT" chasing her.

Some people have very unusual nightmares. Macario Dagdagan dreams of "being attacked by a red jello monster in human form. It was really scary." Dreams can also be quite imaginative.

Doctors tell us that nightmares are frequently caused by stress. One of the things that causes stress is homework. Students worry to excess, often until they reach the point where they begin to experience nightmares. Joanne Barber said, "Often, after a few really stressful weeks, I dream about a dragon-type dinosaur chasing me through endless miles of forest." Fortunately, most people survive because of their effective ways of dealing with their stress.

Nightmares plague us some of the time, but most dreams are about happy things. In fact, most nightmares are amusing in reflection. After all, one cannot really take a dream about the INCREDIBLE HULK chasing them seriously for too long, no matter how scary it was when dreaming of it. In fact, if looked at from a different point of view, nightmares are like a homemade horror movie that you can view in your very own bed.

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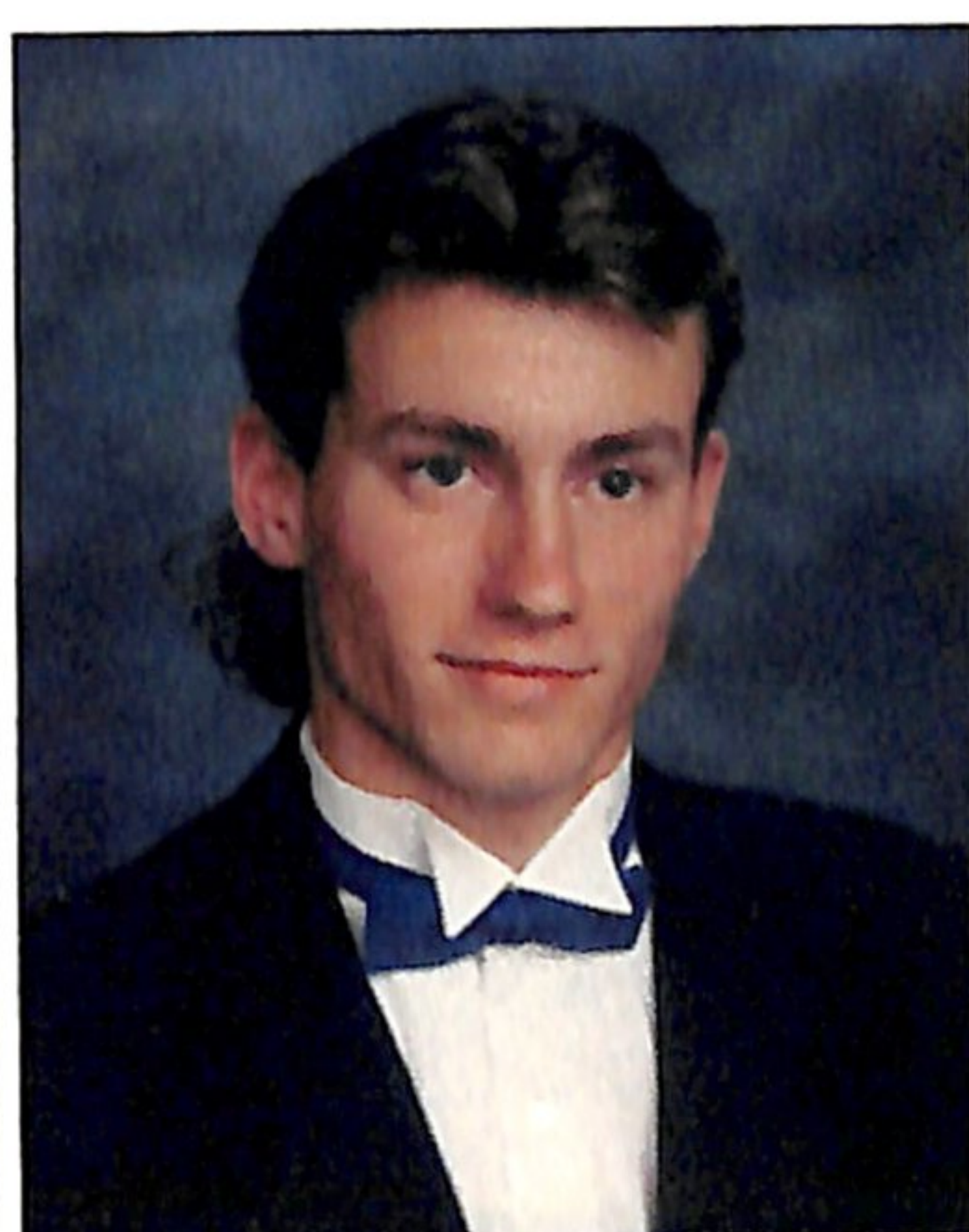


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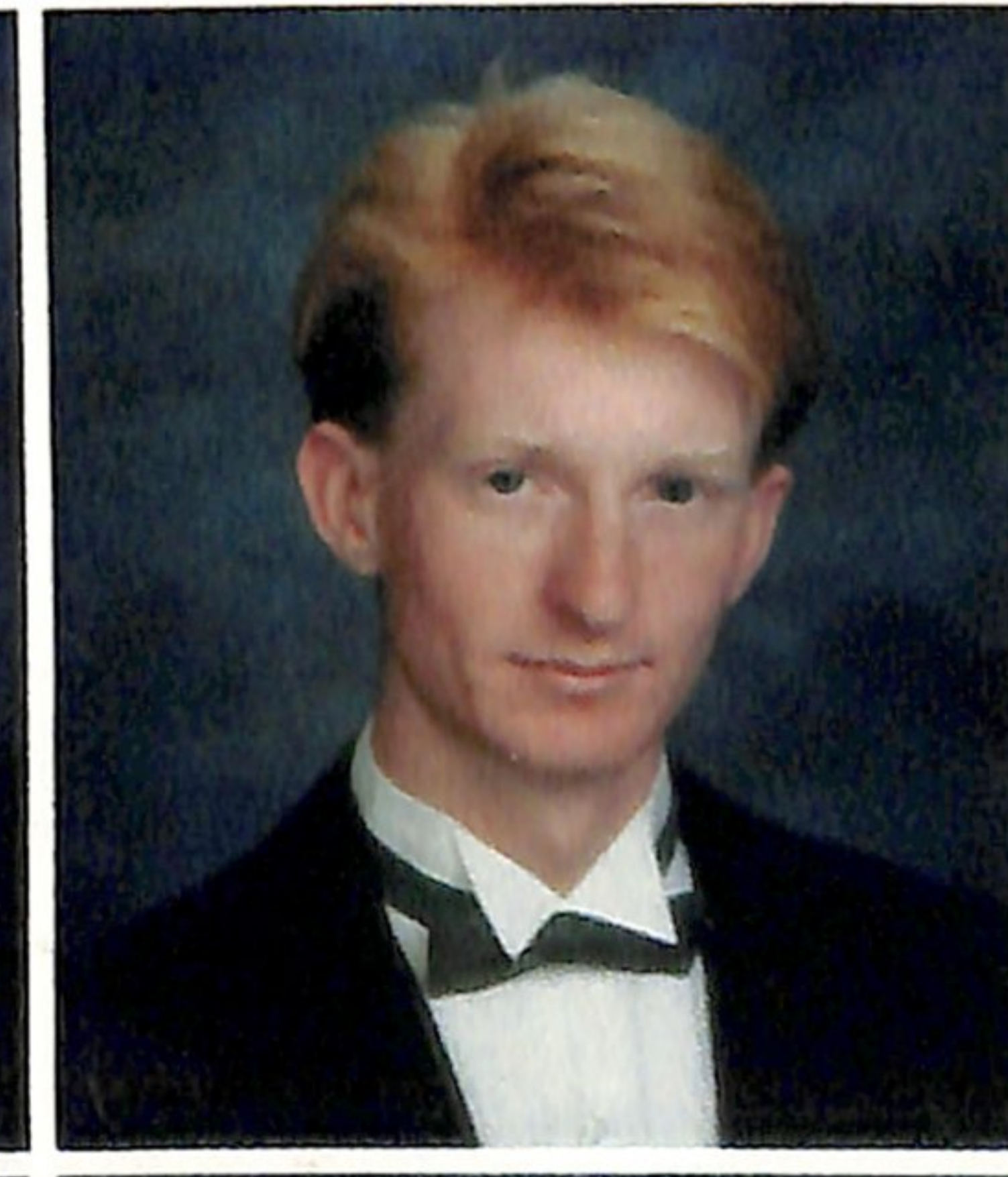




◆ Restlessly rolling about, Joanne Barber appears to have had trouble getting a peaceful night of sleep. Every night, all of us brave the unconscious world, not knowing whether the dream-world will bring us pleasant thoughts or frightening nightmares.



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Seniors . . . they have everything: excuses to get out of their little mishaps, exciting things to fill their nights, and heroes to admire. But seniors are not always going to be seniors; eventually, they are going to grow up and be what they always claimed they eventually would be in the future.

"When I grow up . . ." will no longer be a statement that seniors can make, because for the most part, they will be grown up. They might not be completely mature and responsible yet, but they are getting there.

"Getting where?" is asked. For most seniors there will be either college or jobs. Some seniors may even be lucky enough to spend a year or so in Europe or on some tropical island.

Seniors see themselves heading in many different directions after high school. Most plan to go to college, but some people do not know what they are going to do. When asked about his plans for the future Robert Ayes said, "What do you think I am, psychic?"

How do seniors feel about what lies ahead for them and do they feel ready for it? Some people are a little intimidated by what is ahead. Kevin McQuitty said the future scares him "very much," and Mike Ng said, "Well . . . I wouldn't say scared extremely worried, but not scared."

Seniors may seem a little scared by what lies ahead for them, but they are confident that they are more ready for it than they were in their freshman year. Chris Luthy said, "Yes, I used to be real shy and unsure about myself in ninth grade, but now the world is mine, at least it will be when I finish the payments."

Whatever seniors will be doing, big things are in their future. They have their whole lives to look forward to.

Did you know that eighty-three percent of all college bound seniors wait until the last minute to apply for college?

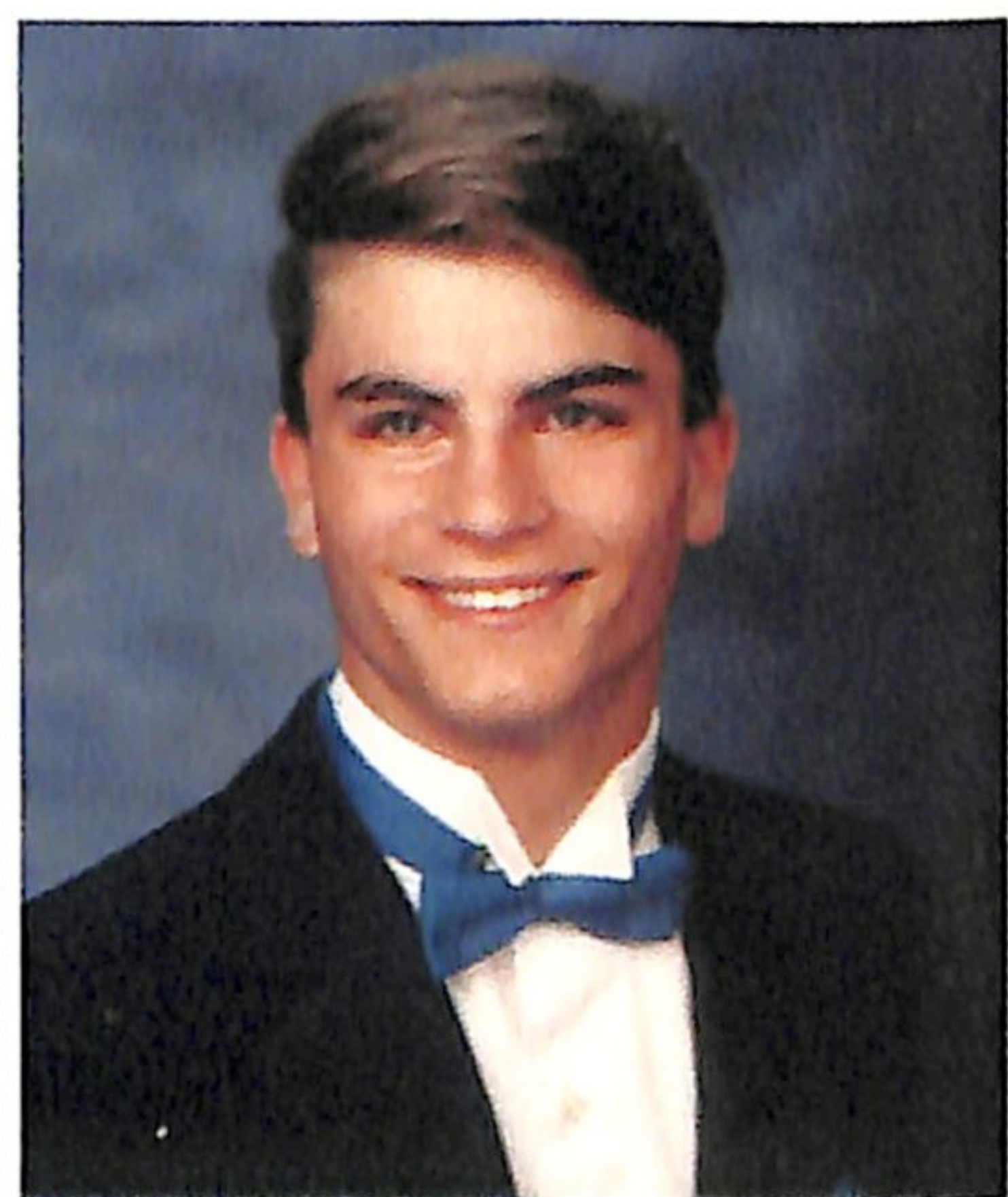
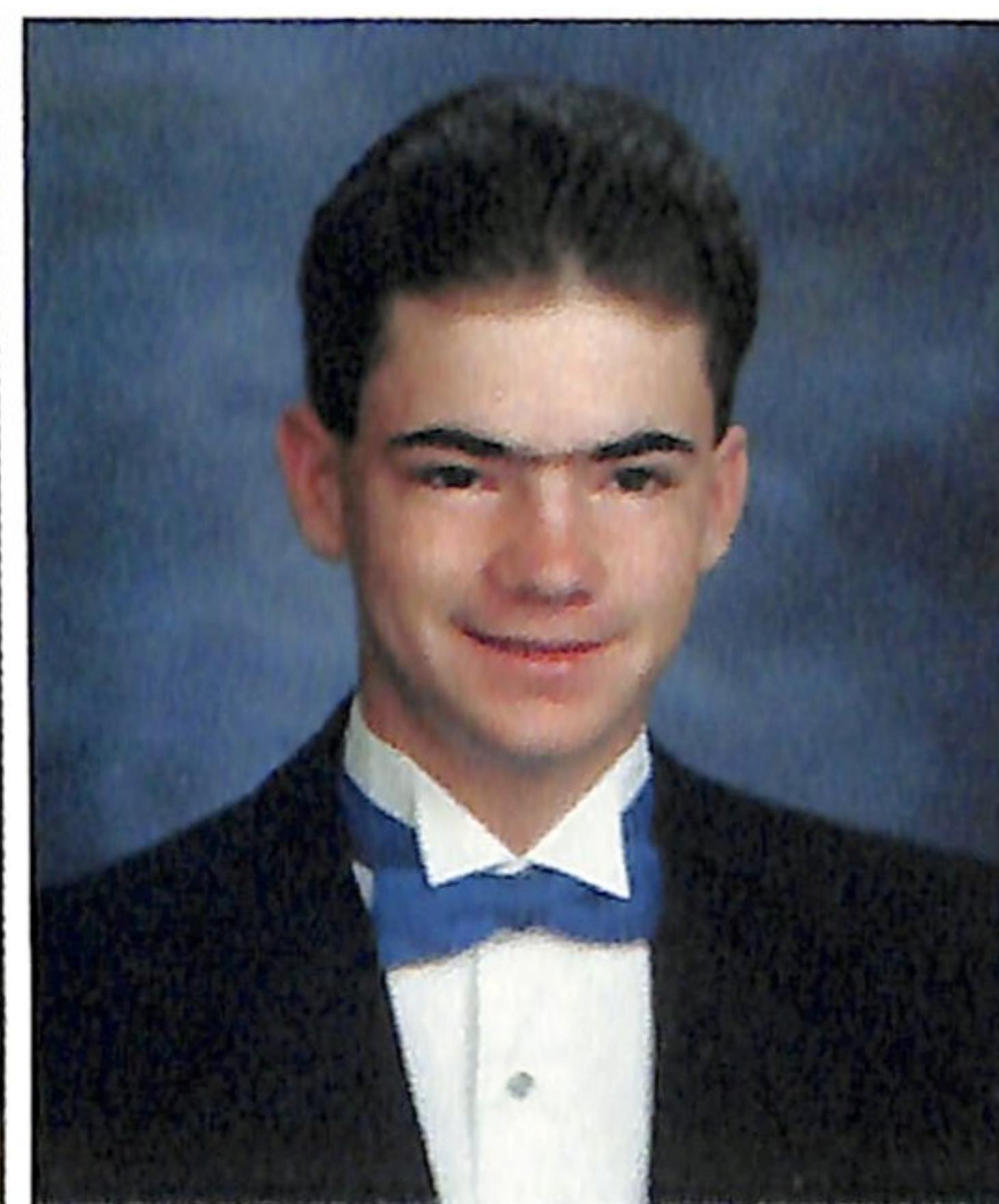
Preparing for their future after high school puts a lot of stress on seniors. Keeping things in perspective, Emily Vaughn and Robin Dorsett take a break from their college resume to recall some past events.

“When I went to work with my mom at the hospital, I knew I wanted to be in the medical profession.”

-Emily Vaughn

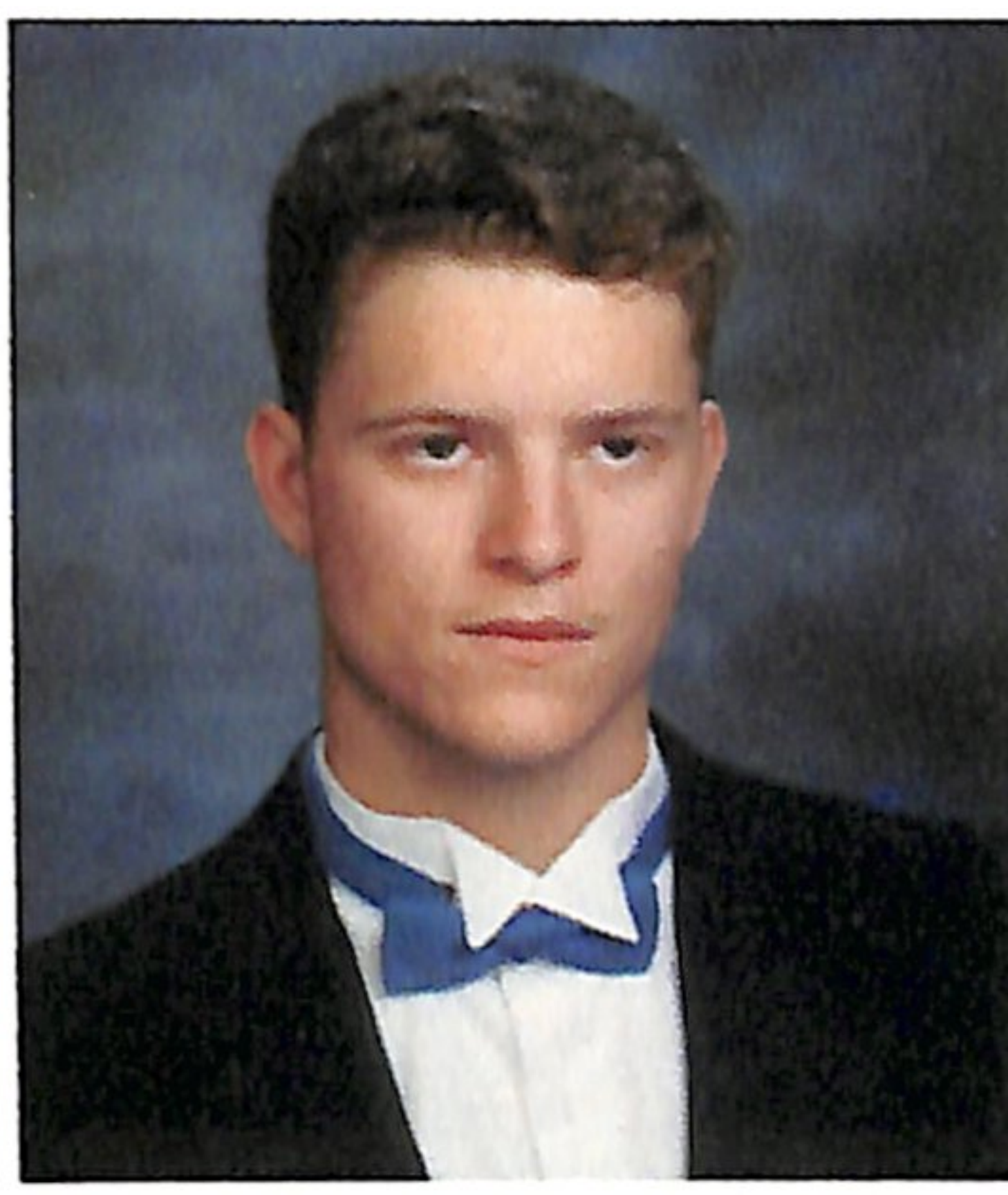
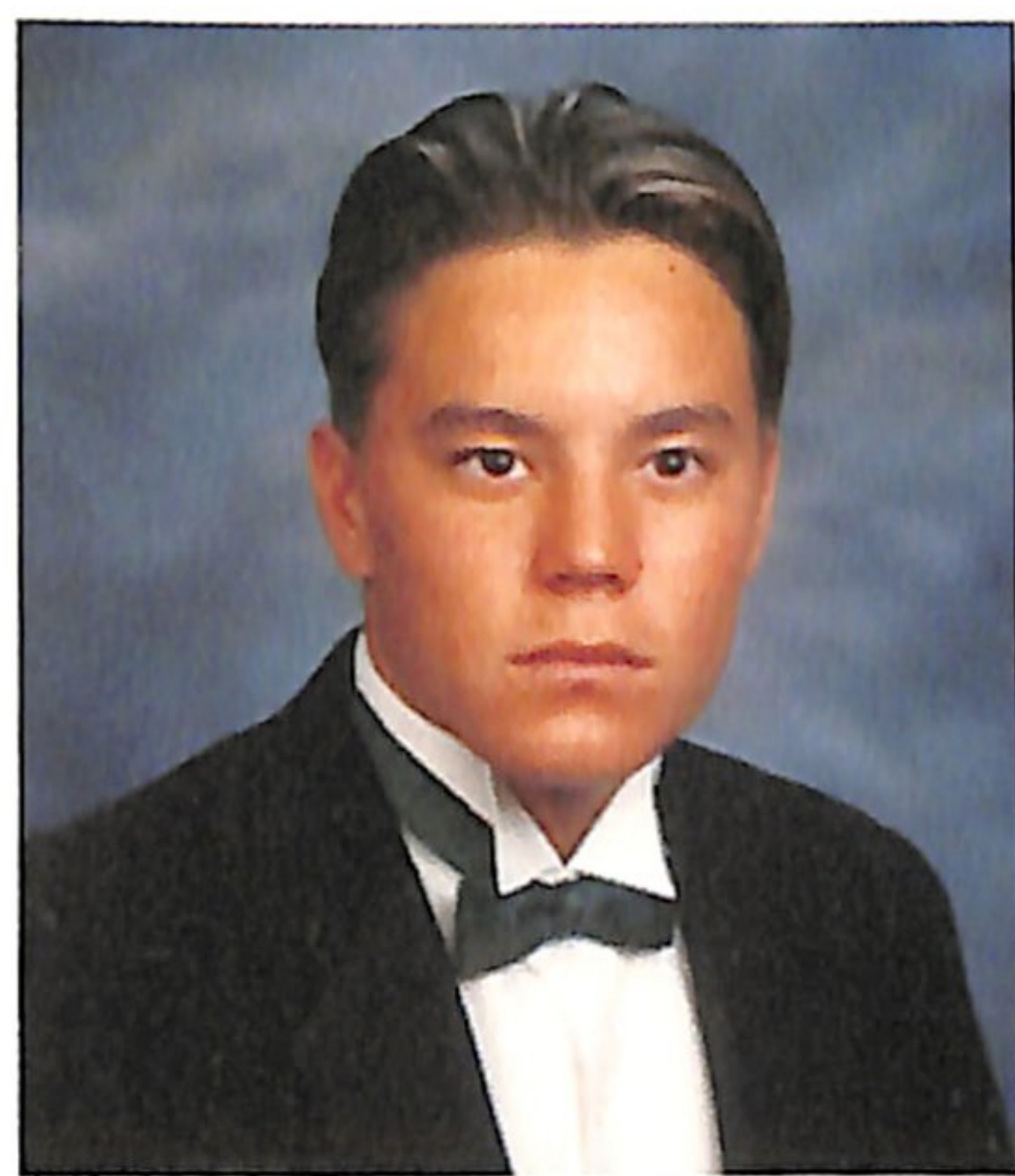


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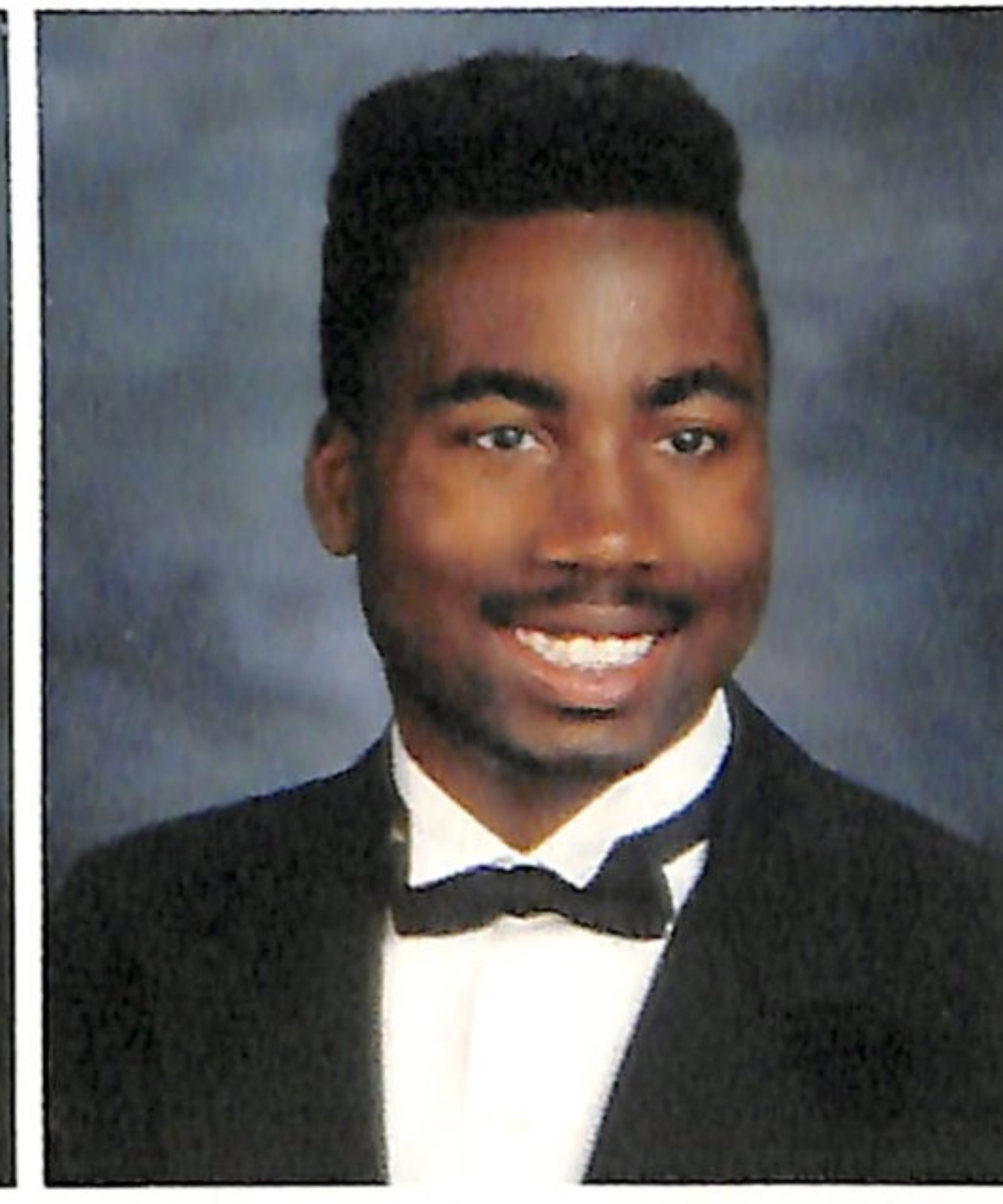
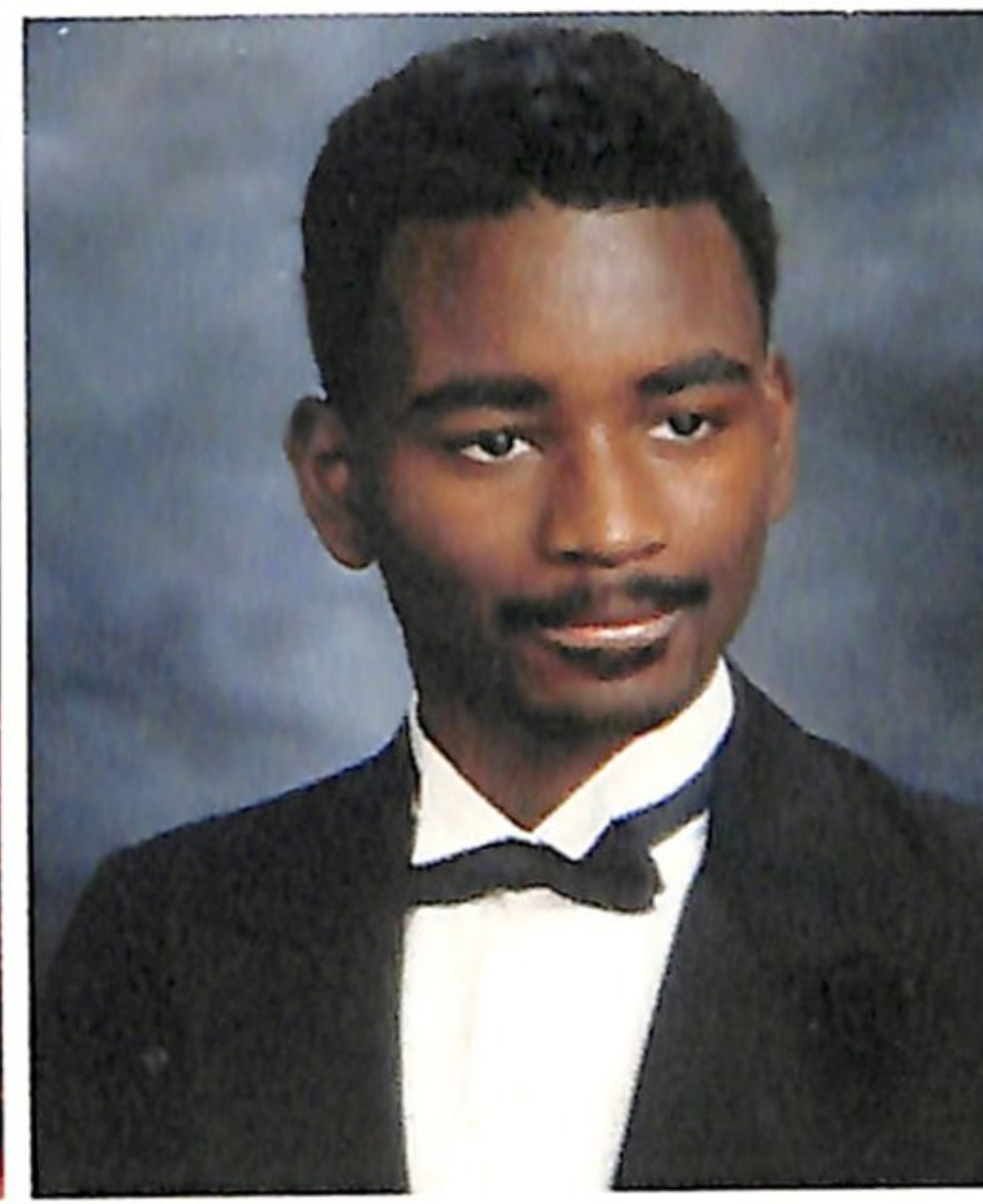




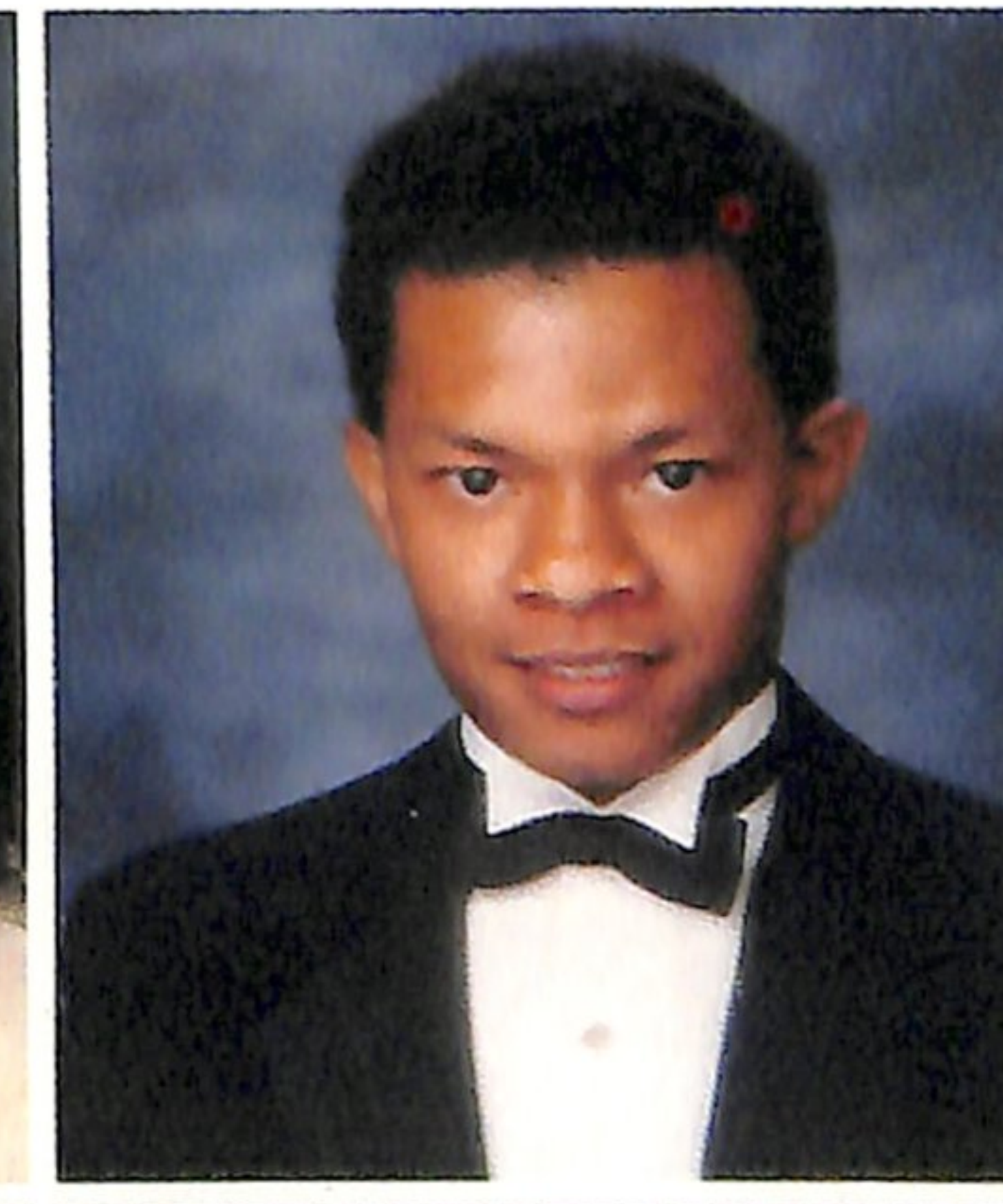
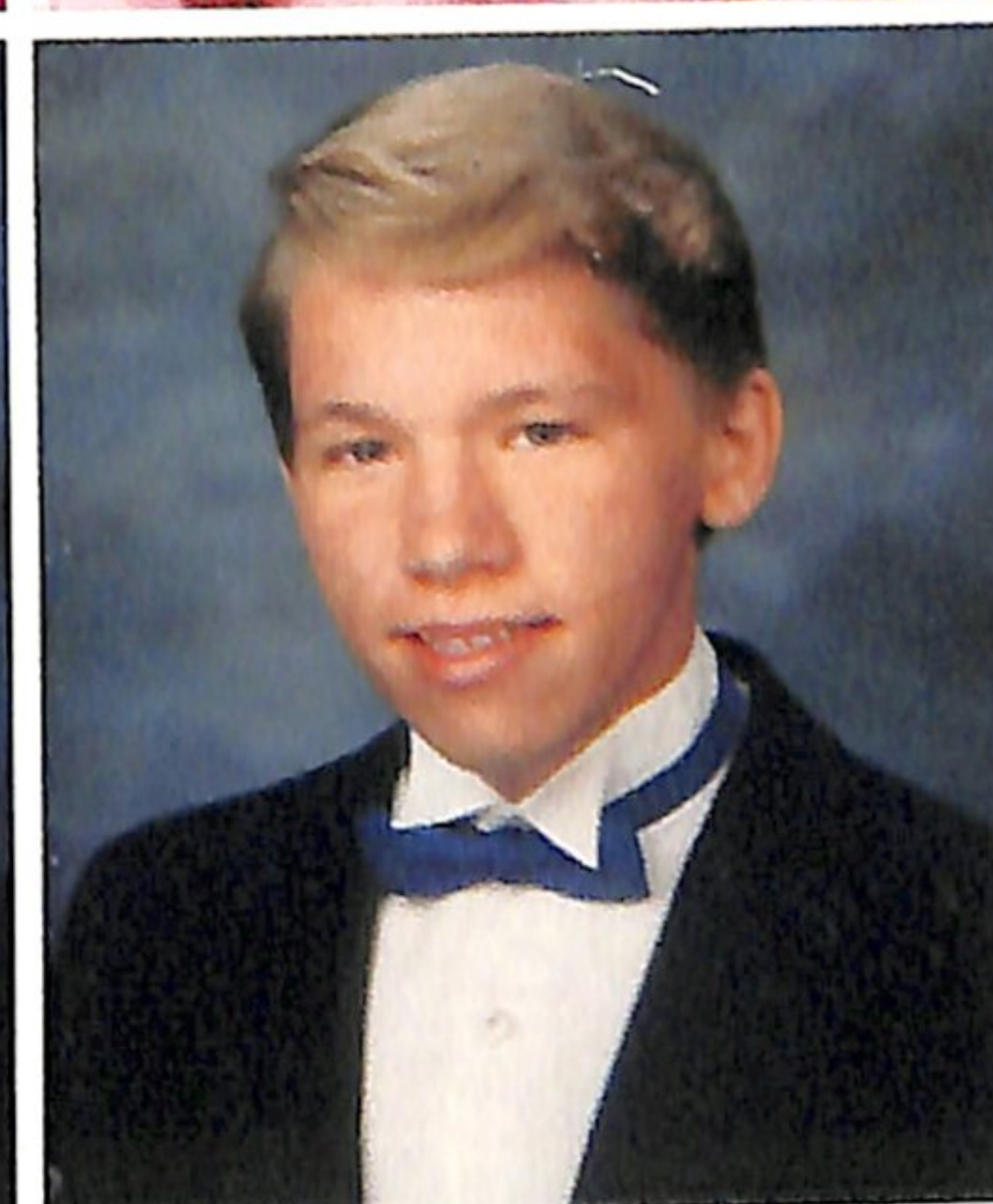
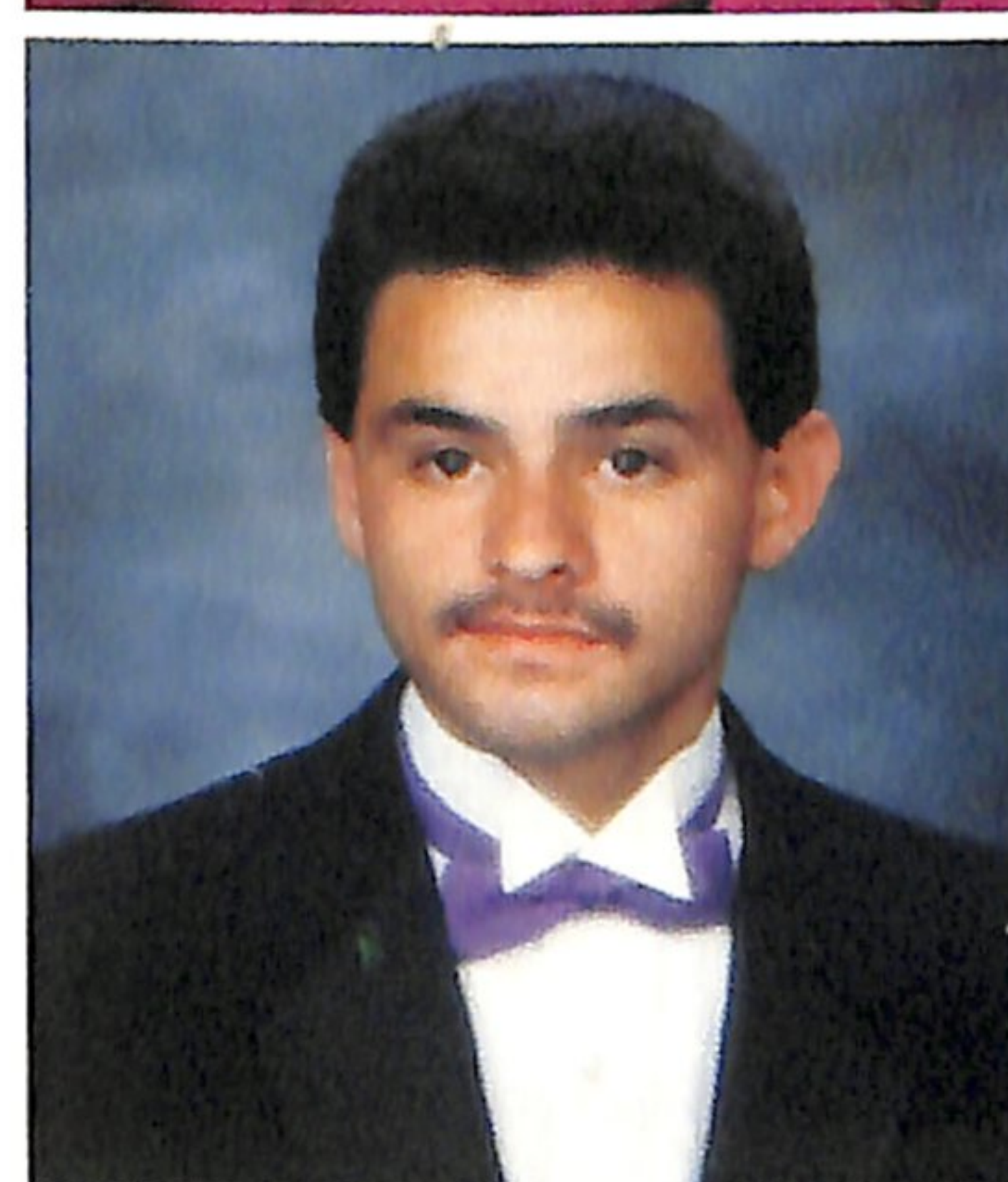
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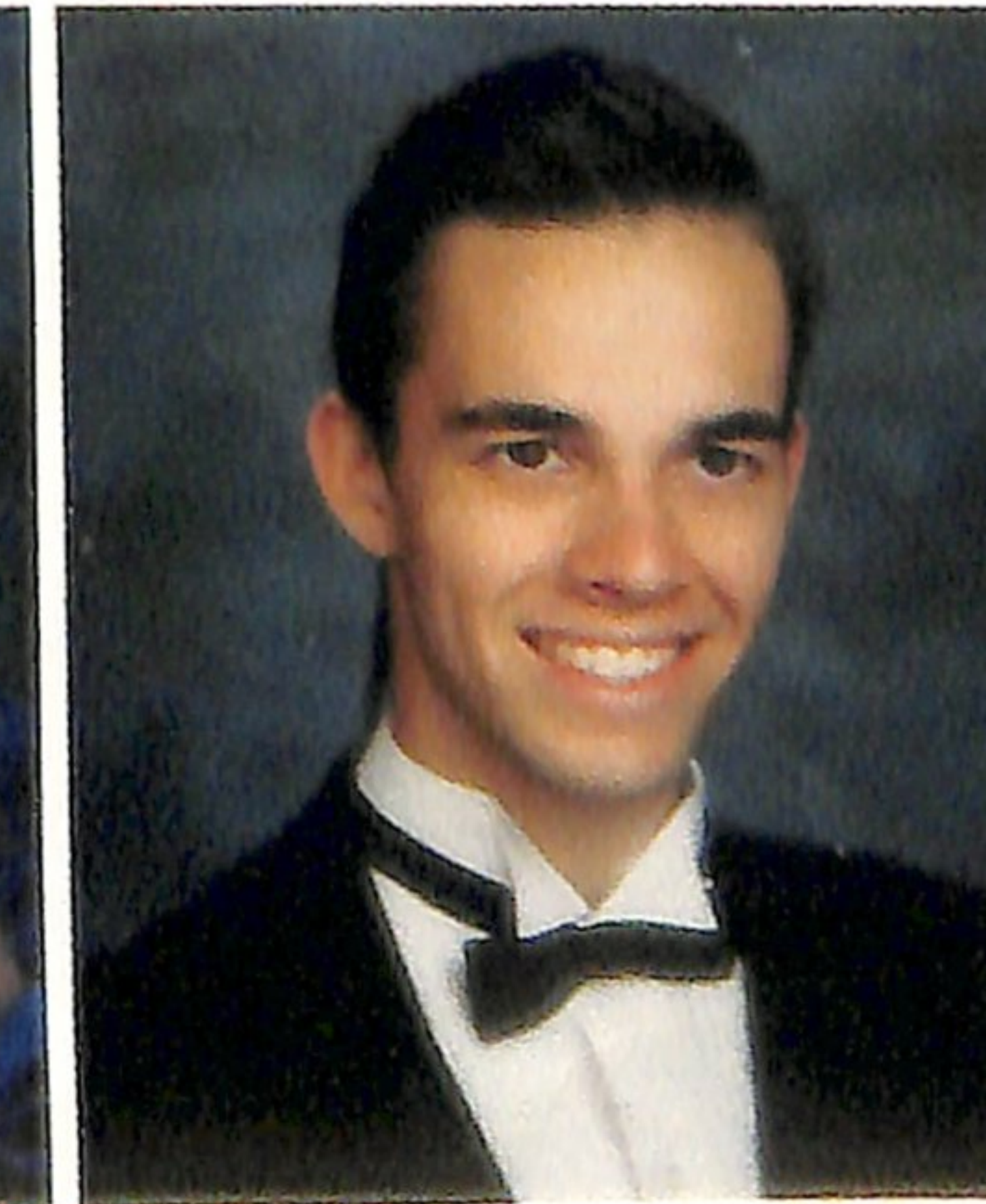
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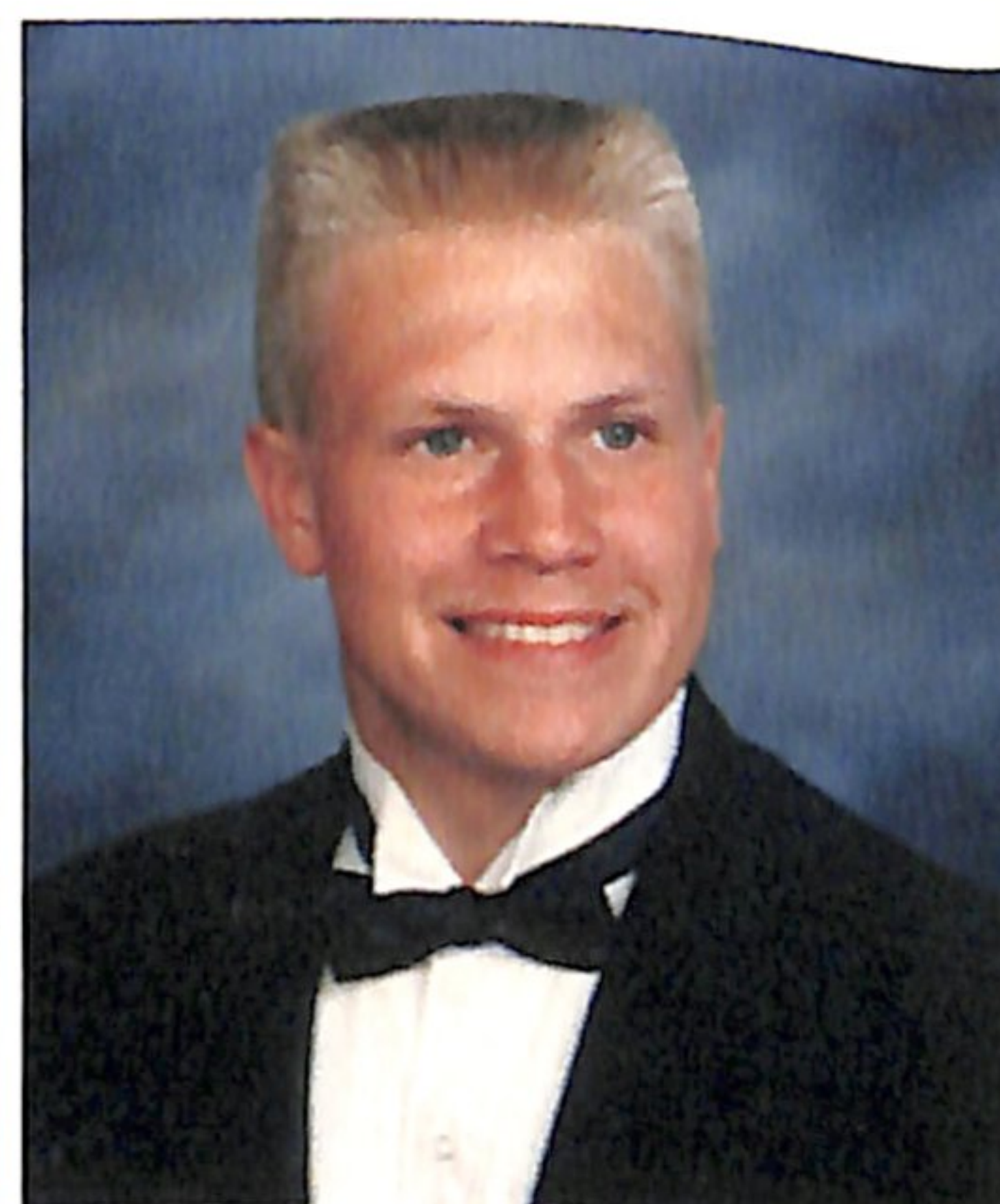


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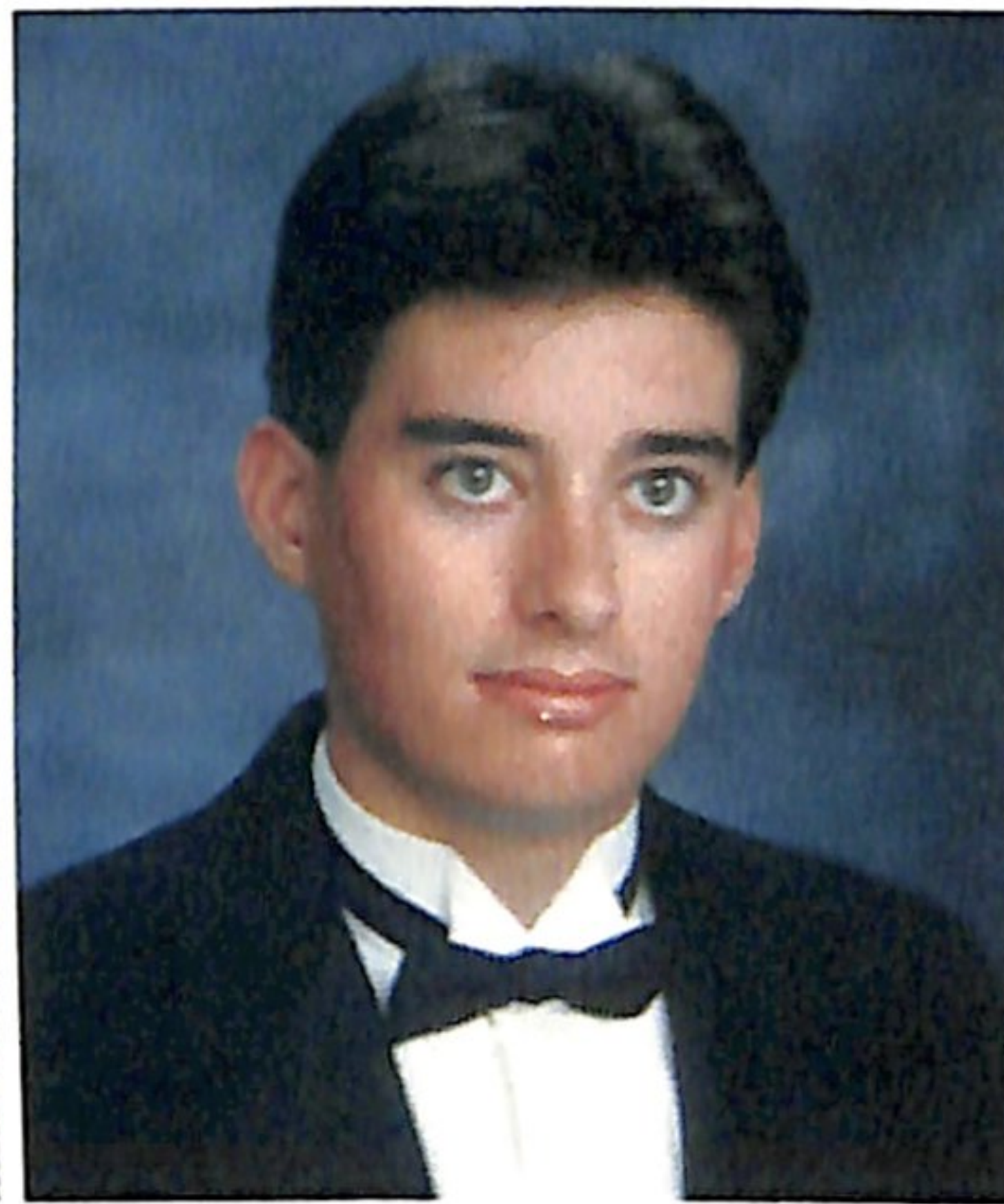
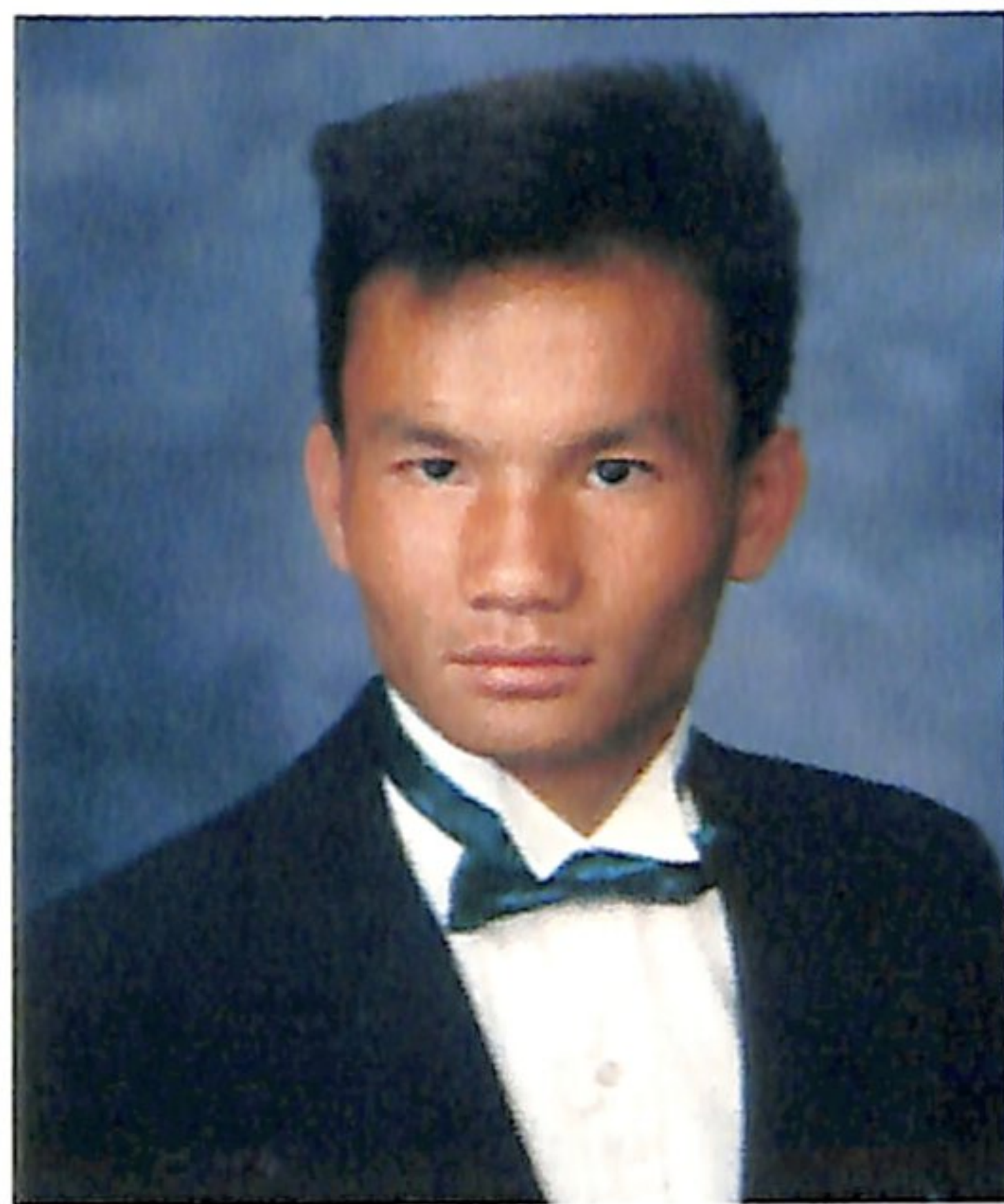


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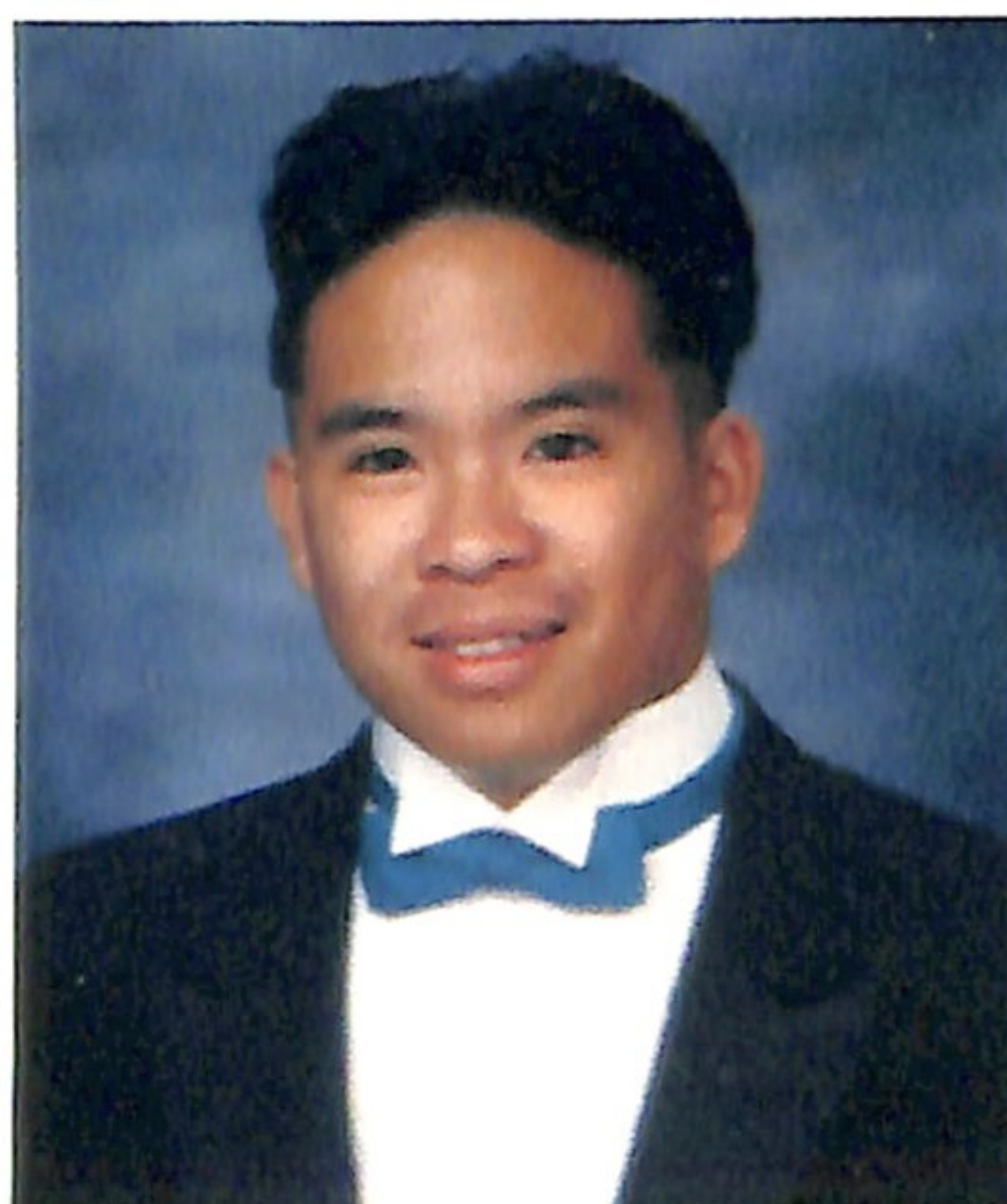
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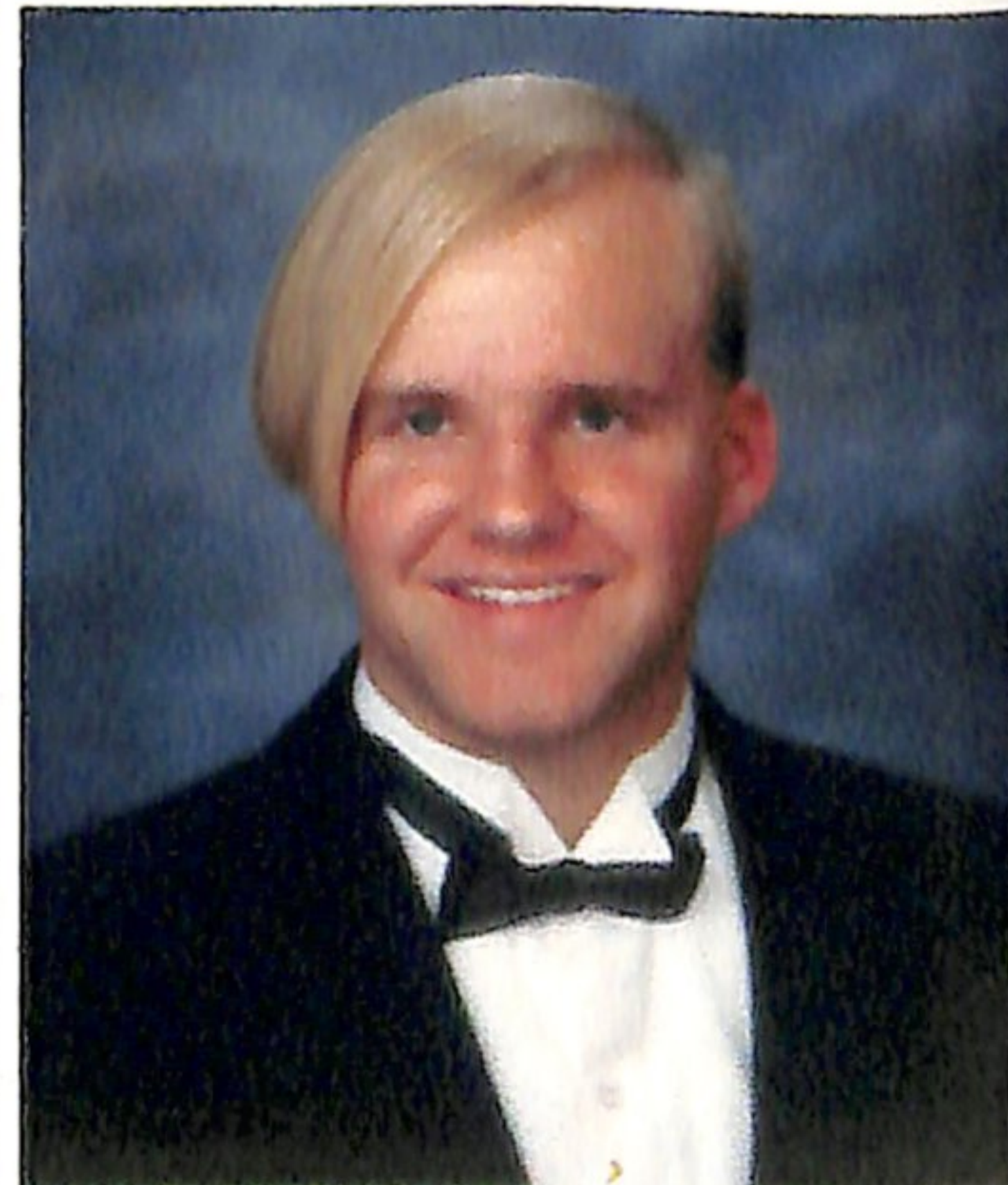
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Angela Walker



John Walker
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Joyce Wan
Brian Wanlass



▼ Voting is both a right and a responsibility when one becomes 18. Fully aware of how important his vote is, Will Moore seriously studies the ballot in the local election before making his selection. When asked about how he felt afterward, Will stated, "Being eighteen I feel now I can make a difference and that alone makes me proud."



Finally!

For many years you were treated like a child, but not anymore because now you are EIGHTEEN! You are no longer a juvenile but now you are one of them . . . an adult! No! Please! Take me back! Let me be a juvenile again! Please, please I promise to be good!! Sorry, it's too late to plead, but don't worry because being eighteen isn't that bad. It is best stated by Will Moore when he said that turning eighteen "is the sunrise on the horizon of life."

For instance, what did you do on the weekends when you were a 'juvenile'? More than likely you hung out with your friends in or around Fairfield, right? Well get this, now you can party at one of those cool nightclubs that you always wanted to go to but you weren't allowed in because you had to be eighteen!

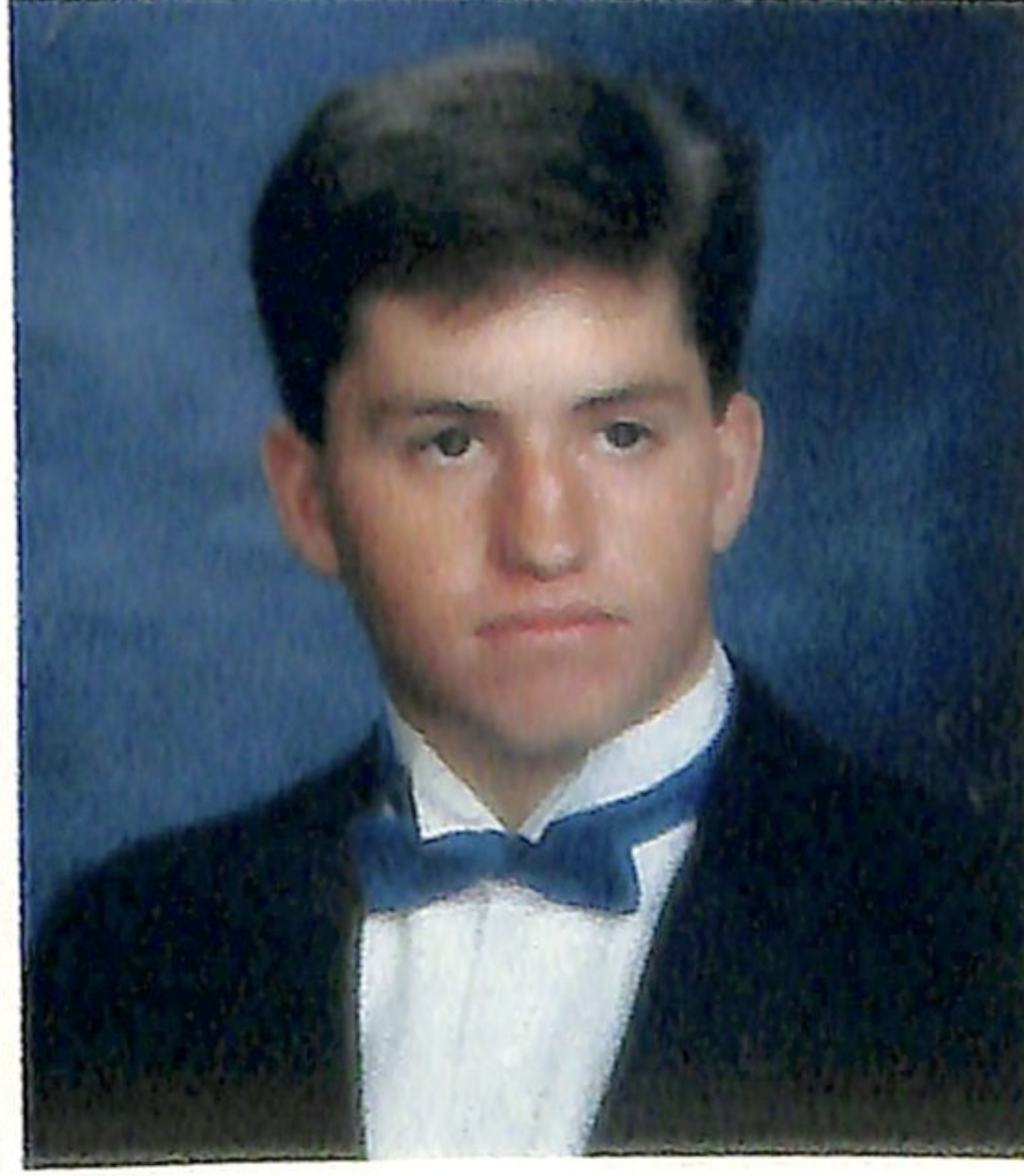
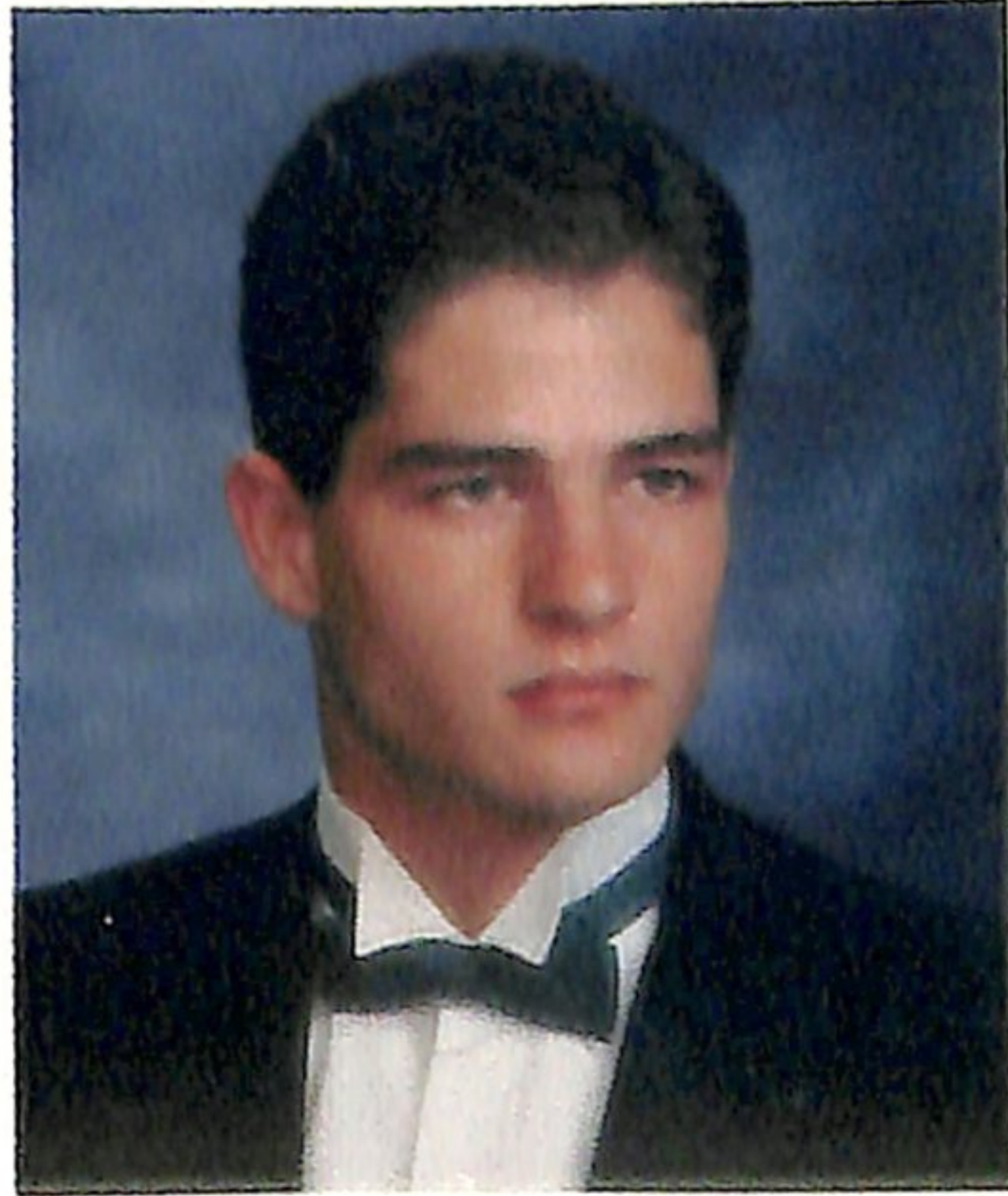
Remember the time when you were walking to your best friend's house at about ten o'clock and the police picked you up and brought you home because they said it was past your curfew? Well, check this out. When you turn eighteen your old curfew you grew to hate no longer exists. Now you are free to stay out as late as you want (unless you are under the jurisdiction of your parents)! "When you're eighteen sneaking out is a thing of the past and the strict commands of your parents are rarely heard." commented Denise Day.

One of the best things about being eighteen is that you are given the right to vote. Stop laughing! This is serious! It sounds unbelievable, but it's true! Your vote finally counts and there are no strings attached, honest! Weird, isn't it? The government actually trusts you enough now to let you vote on important issues. As Chuck Havlik says, "If the government can trust you, who can't?"

Well now, did you ever think that you would have this much power when you were a juvenile? Probably not, but that's O.K. because now you are EIGHTEEN!



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Brenda Washington
Claudette Watts
Victoria Weldon



Cynthia Whitehead
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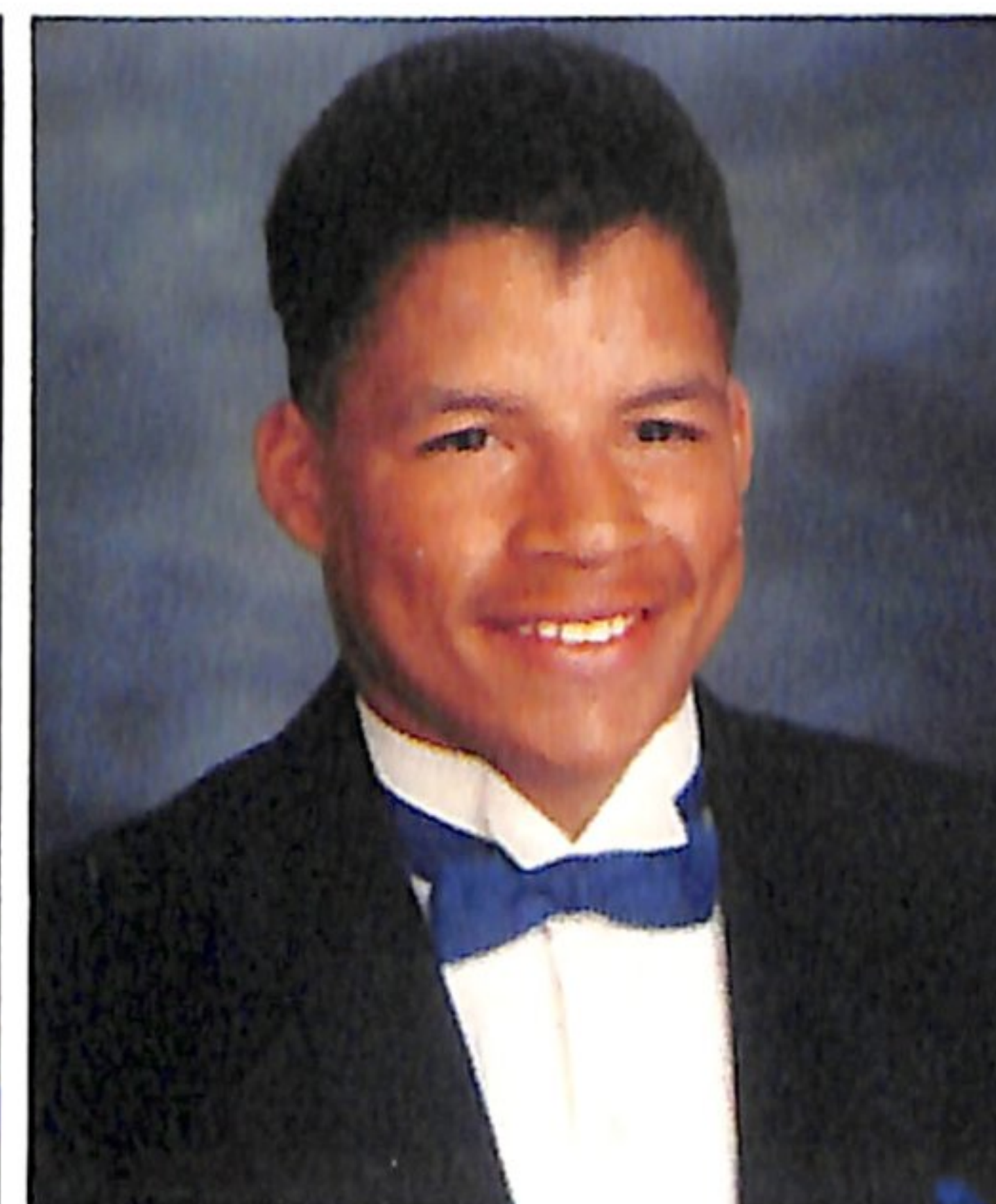


◆ Senior Oriana Nesbit fell to a cheap trick at the hands of Lanette Mould and accomplice Ken Nicholas. Meanwhile, innocent bystanders Lisa Freer and Kirsten Sanderson joined in on the fun of the practical joke. Oriana was shocked by Lanette aggressiveness and asked, in amusement, "Why me?"

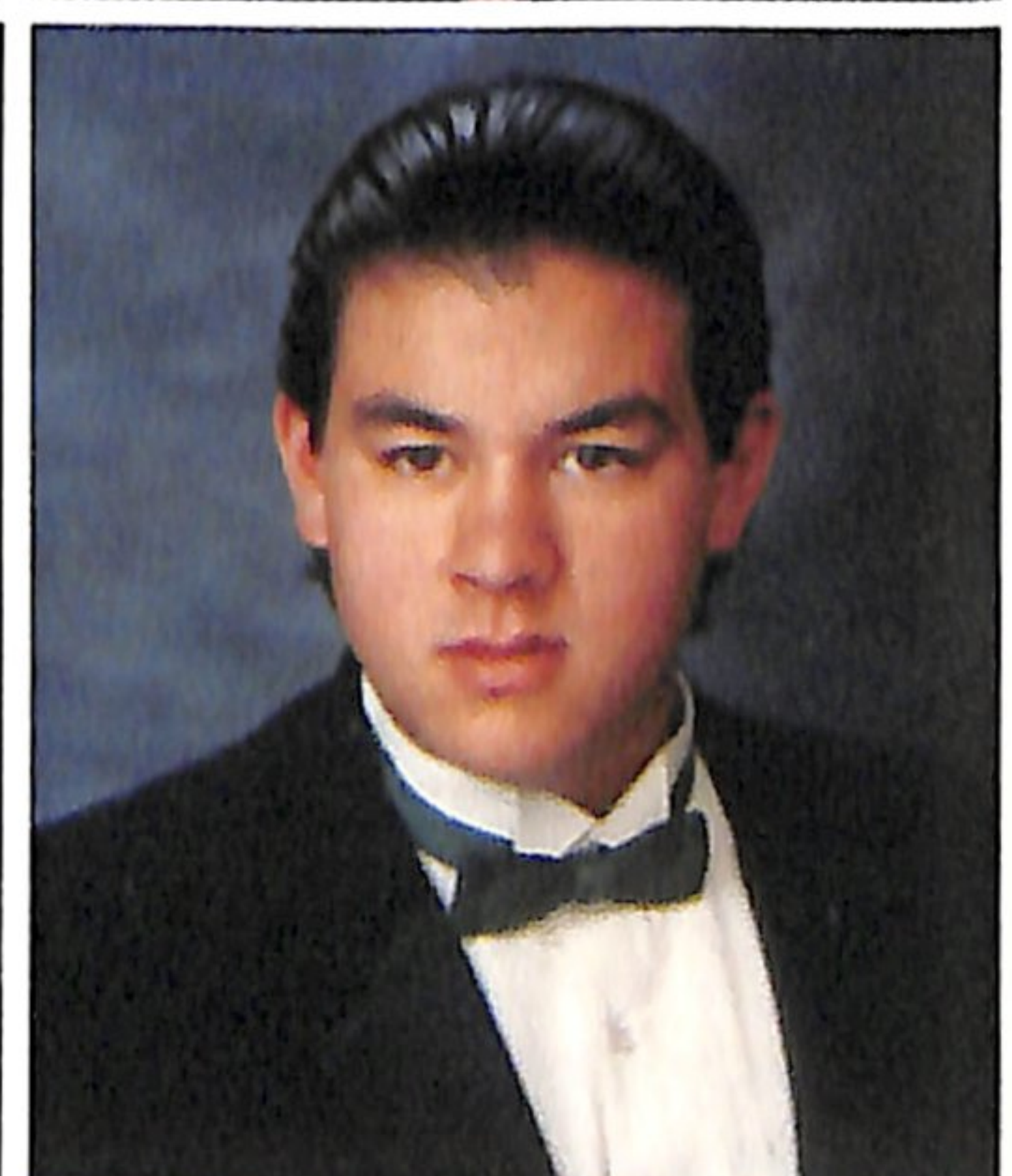
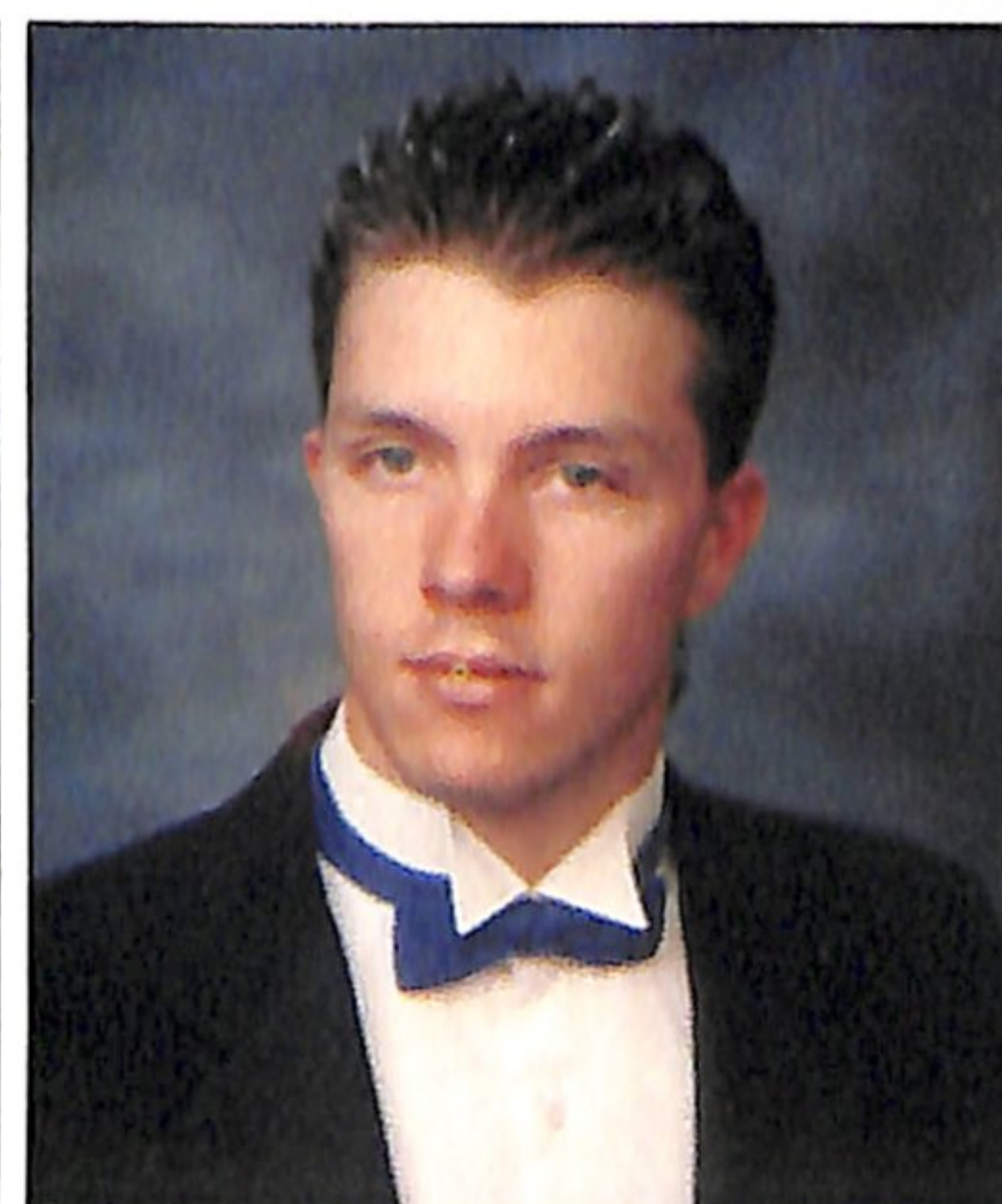
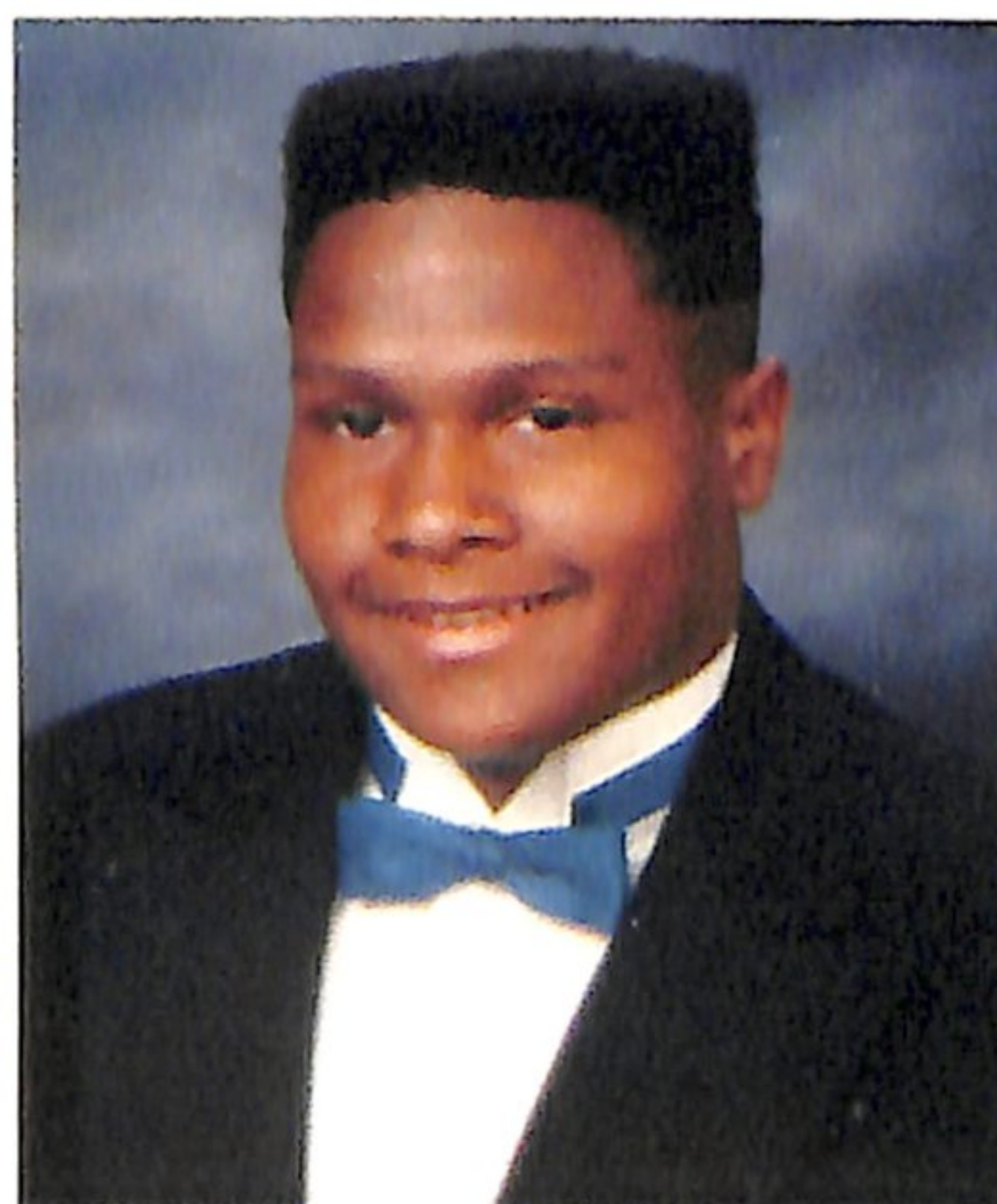


♥ An inverse view of Laura Hoehn's house displays a white nightmare. She awoke this particular morning to a dreaded scene and a three hour clean-up job.

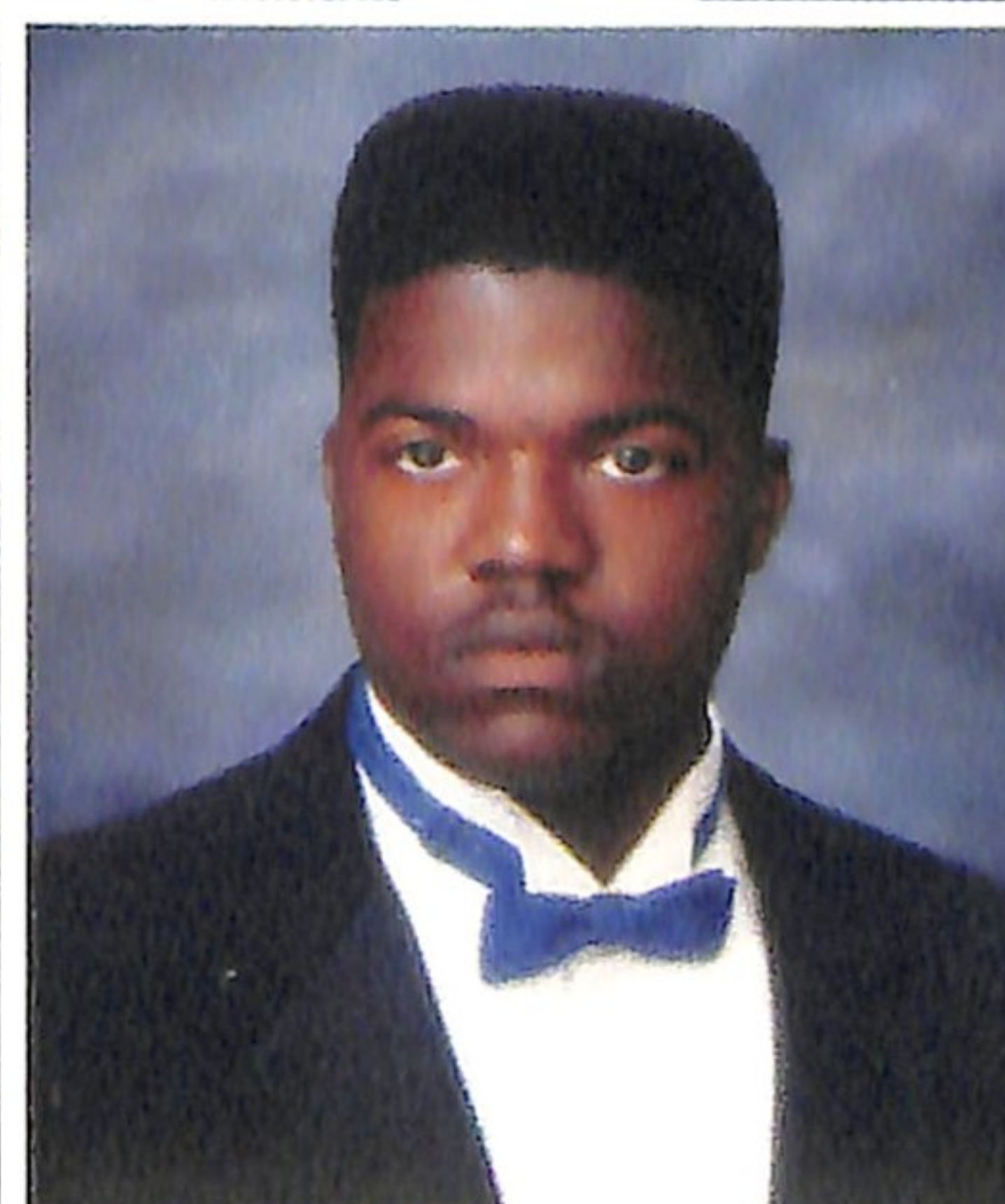
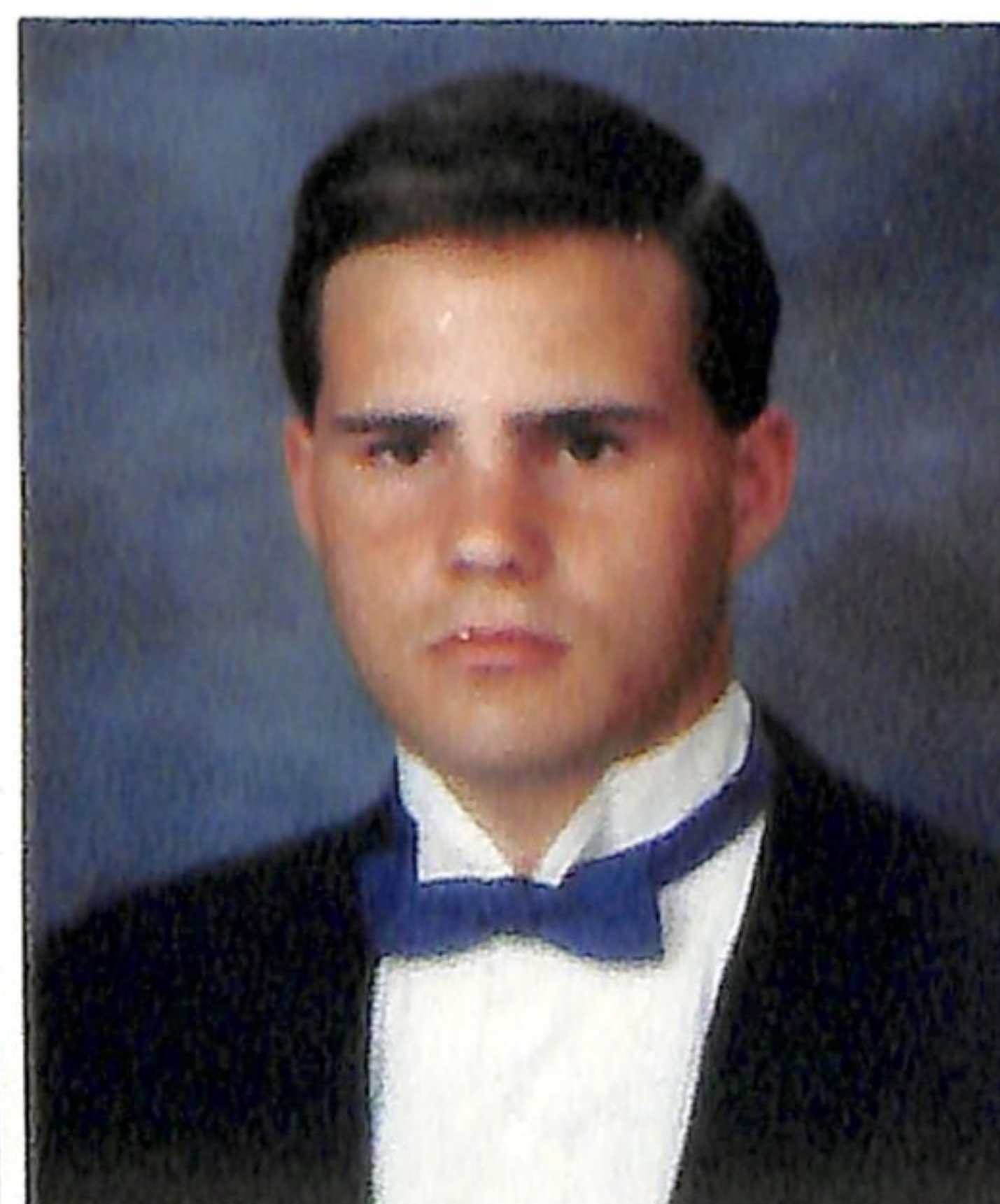
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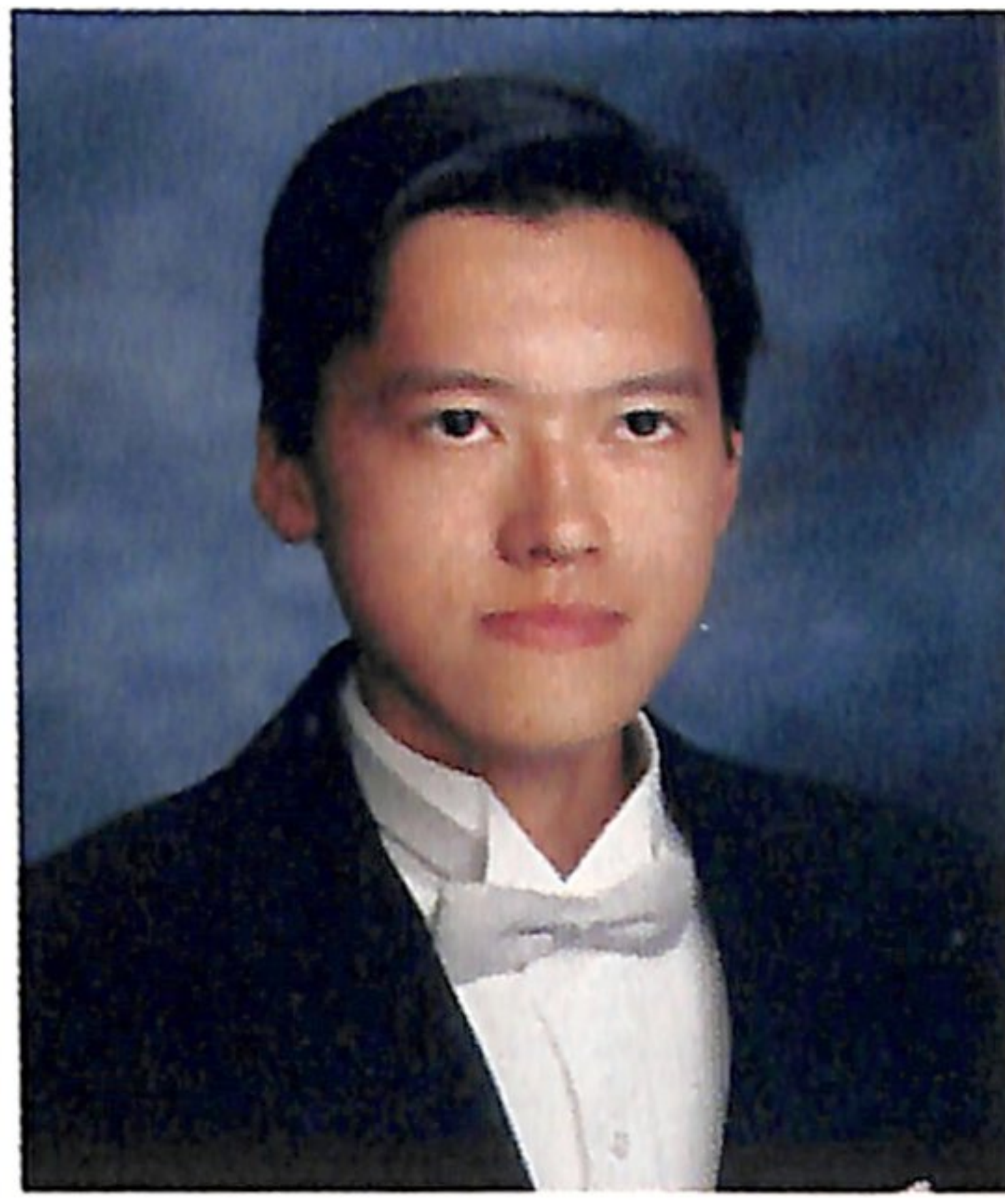
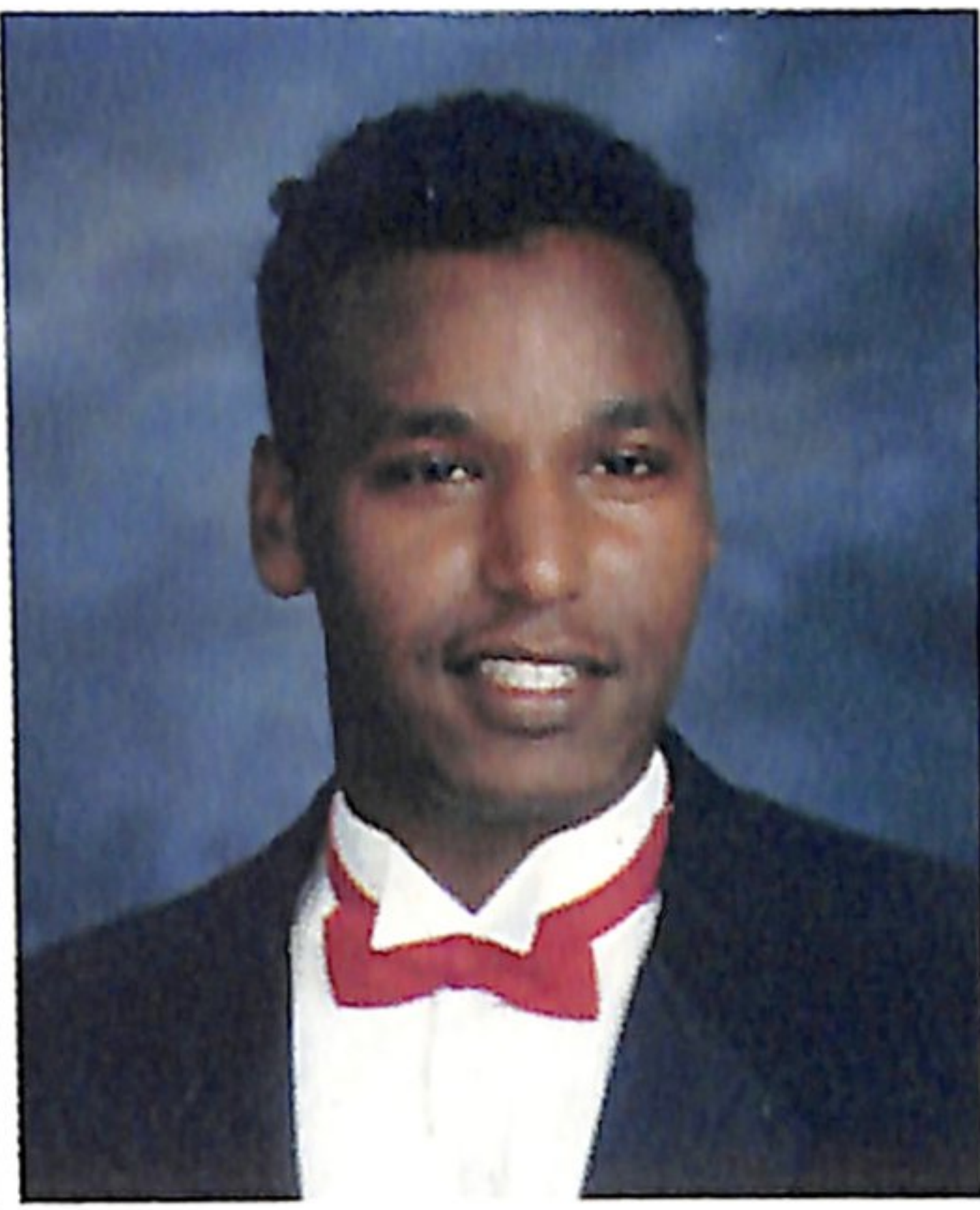
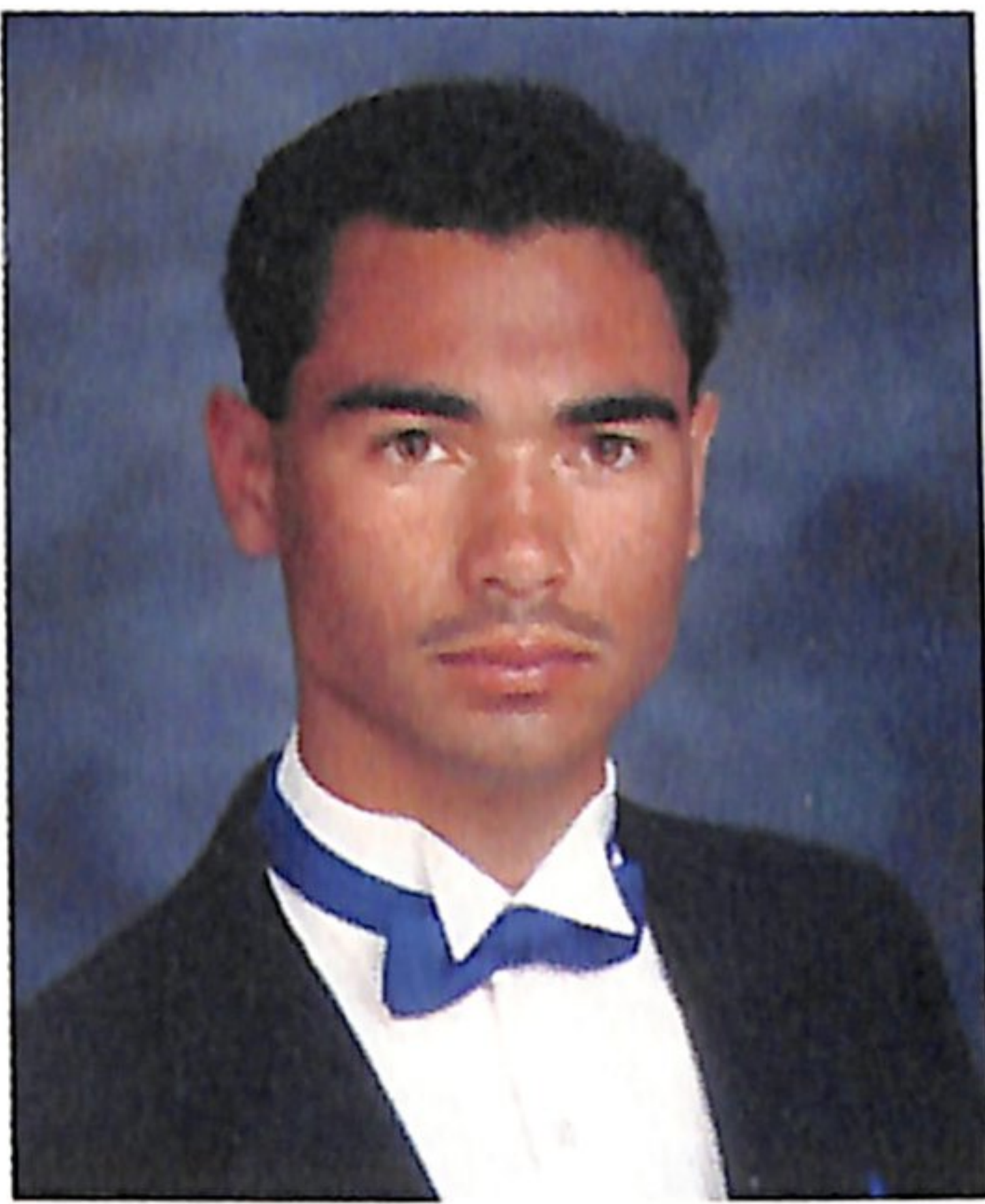


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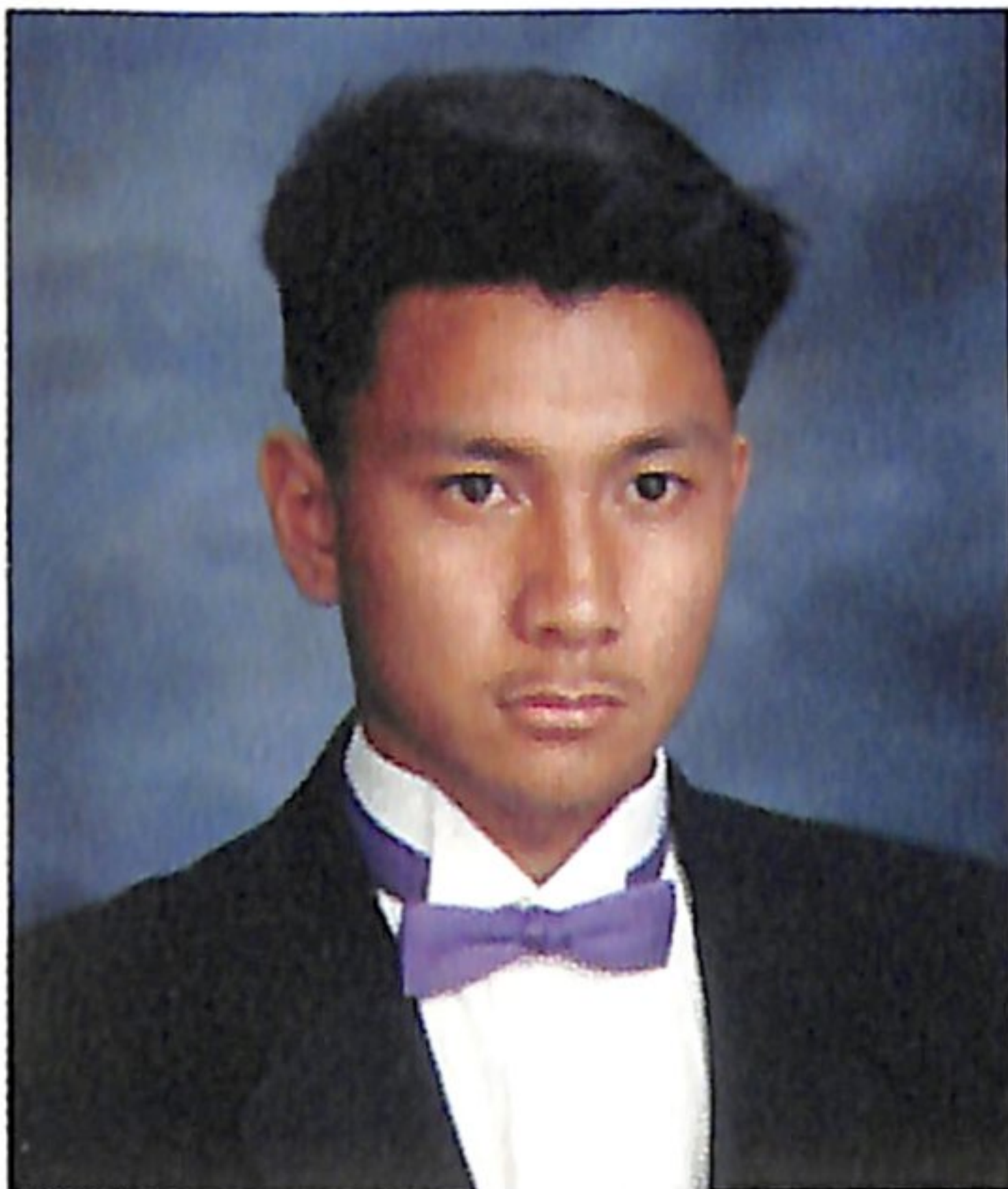


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Dennis Wright
Sherry Wright





Yvette Wright
Patrick Wulsin
Aman Yoseph
Henry Yu



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That's A Good One!

The sun fills the room with a golden glow of light and the songs of chirping birds have never sounded so good. You slowly roll on to your side and see the fluorescent numbers of the digital clock boast 11:00 a.m. Saturday mornings are the best. You peek out the window, confusion invades your thoughts as you wonder how it could have snowed in Fairfield and during the middle of summer?! After focusing on the soggy masses of white, you realize that your garden has been toilet papered. As you begin clean-up duty in your garden, you think of a method of revenge for your assailants and begin devising your plan of attack.

Everyone knows what goes on in the big, bad world of practical jokes. Whether it is being toilet papered, egged, or participating in an equally vengeful act, everyone is guilty. Emily Vaughan's favorite prank was when she closed Keri Bell's hair in the sun roof of her car. There is also the classic story of practical joke gone awry, like what happened to Tammy

Gallentine. "I switched keys with a friend that had the same type of car as mine to freak her out. I watched her put my keys in the door and oddly enough, the door opened. She proceeded to put my keys in her ignition and she drove off with my car keys. I tried to put

“I took road blocks and put them in front of my friends house!”

—Johnny Gallegos

her keys in my car and sure enough, they didn't start my car. My whole plan backfired and I was stuck with no way home!”

Pranks are usually done all in good fun. For Reed Gomes and Joe Ona though, whether they wanted to or not, they made a lasting impression on a female friend and it was not necessarily a good one. "I (Gomes) was supposed to be a drug dealer and Joe, an undercover cop. Joe pretended to be confiding in the girl and told her he had a problem. The problem was that he and I had become

good friends and now he had to bust me for dealing drugs. We played along for a couple of days and were ready for our final act. The three of us left class and Joe slammed me against the wall screaming, "You're under arrest!" We couldn't keep straight faces though and started laughing hysterically. She never spoke to us again!"

Probably the most infamous and best practical joke of all time is toilet papering. No matter what type of toilet paper, whether it is two-ply, flowered, scented, pink, yellow, or super deluxe, anything will do to leave a lasting impression that will stay in your trees for years to come. Robert Ayer and his comrades have some great memories of toilet papering Shayne Recknagel's house and getting the toilet paper really high in the trees. "Then we would take hoses and spray water over all of the toilet paper, months later we'd drive by and it would still be there. Everytime we did it, his Dad would try to catch us but, youth prevailed and we always escaped."

If you play a practical joke on someone, expect to start a never ending chain reaction of revenge!

Not Pictured:

Souk Bounkio
Omar Casas
Alvin Dadia
Paul Delarmente
Jose Dominguez
Derek Downey
Ladrake Ellis
Reynaldo Ganutan
Peggy Gillis
Irma Gonzales
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Phillip Hurry
David Ioane
Richard Jackson
Stephanie Janci
James Janecki
Khai Kongkeo
Ryan Lawrence
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Angela Poggi
Rosendo Ramirez
Rodney Serviss
Karen Shibley
Cesar Valenzuela
Edward Vladyka
Michael Weiss
Bryan Wurth

Facing The Facts

It All Adds Up



“ I think that teenagers need to raise their level of awareness about A.I.D.S., they need to know that their age group is highly at risk and that it can happen to them. There is no way to know by looking at another person if they have it or not. Because of this teenagers need to know how to make appropriate choices and communicate effectively with each other.

All I can say is learn all about the virus and to follow up with the appropriate precautions if choosing to engage in high risk behavior, especially sexual activities or IV drug use. - Nurse: Jean Moore



► Robert Ayer hikes through Kings Canyon, one of the last protected canyons in our environment.

There are many problems in the world today, and realizing them is the first step in the solution. A lot of us take it for granted that such things as A.I.D.S. and the destruction of our environment are part of our everyday lives. According to the Center of Disease Control, the percentage of HIV positive teens has almost doubled in the last year alone. John Facque stakes, “People need to learn to be responsible, to think about the consequences of their actions. A.I.D.S. is a high stakes game because you’re betting your life.”

Addressing the issue of the environment, Junior Lara Hall stated, “I think that there has been a lot of improvement, like the recycling bins which are collected on a regular basis. This is good way to put our goods back in the cycle. People are taking advantage of these opportunities.”

Man-made disasters are results of mankind’s mistakes. An example of this was the East Bay fire. Mike Garver said, “It was a terrible catastrophe that was mind boggling to witness. I feel we’re lucky not to lose more people than we did. The firemen, police, and emergency workers all did a good job.”

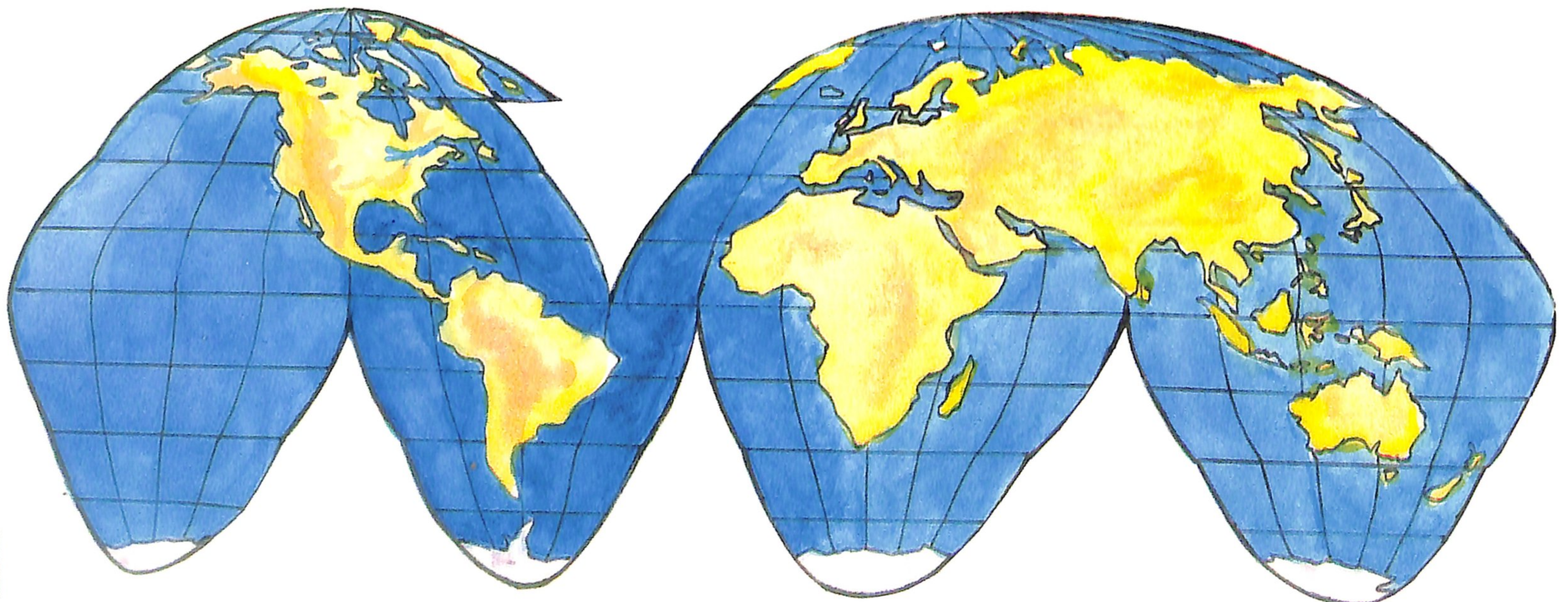
“ The awareness has increased and more people are recycling. Nothing is going to last forever. I recycle a lot, not only paper but cans and plastic also.

Belonging to the Native Conservancy lets me help more. We buy up land to preserve them. The Native Conservancy creates parks and reserves, and Green Peace, which helps with beach and nature clean up.

This is an issue that we can’t ignore. It won’t go away. We have to take charge right now. -Teacher Linda Ash



► Anna Henry, Scott Hardy, Felicia Williams, and Christine Pena react to the East Bay Fire by collecting canned food and clothing.

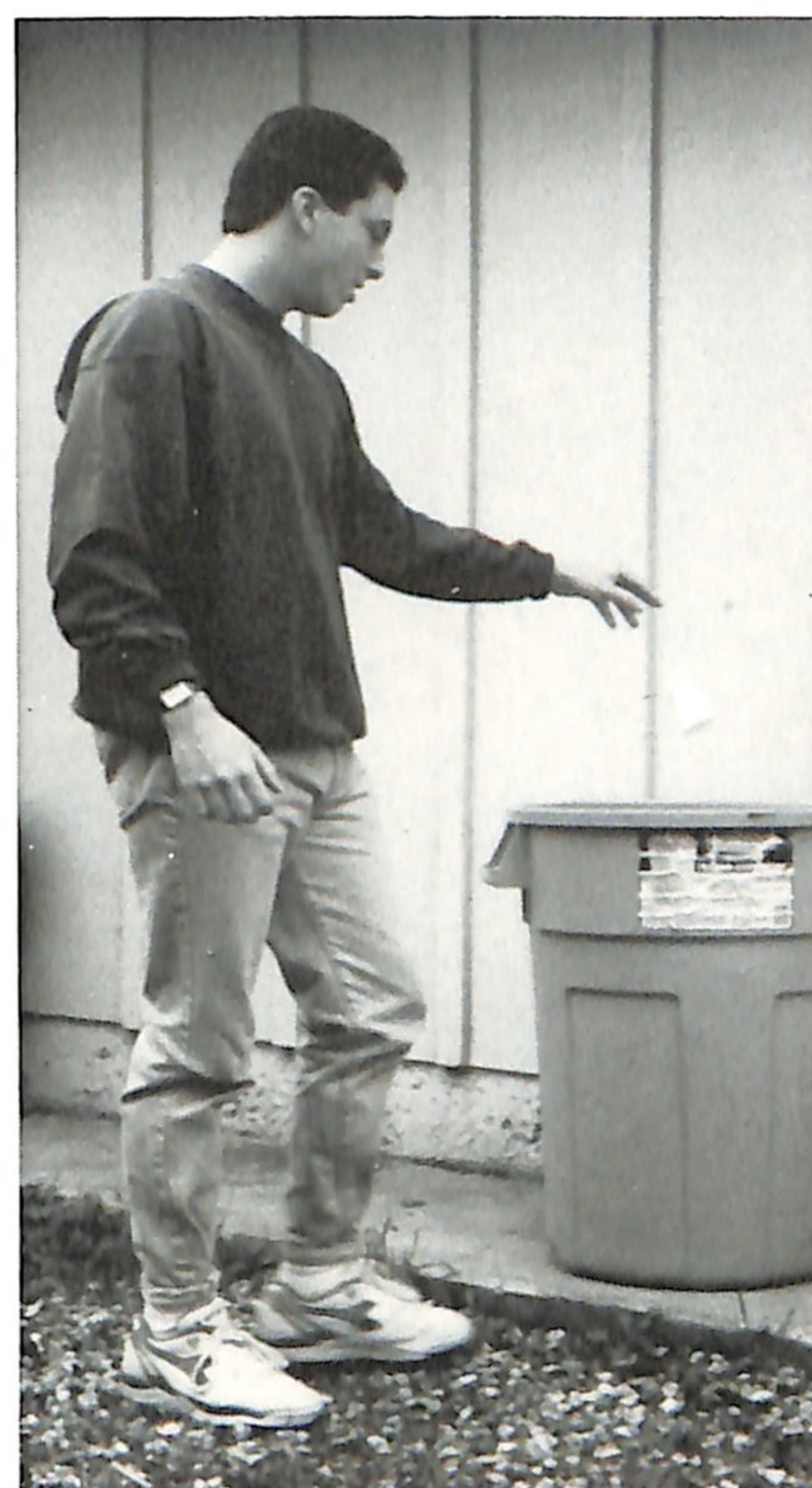


Students Speak Out



◆ "Before I go motorcycling, I make sure the fuel is properly mixed and the engine is tuned. This reduces emissions and helps control air pollution," said Tim Scarrot.

◆ "Everywhere you look there's trash. Recycling just may be the key, to help reduce the amount of trash that clutters up the environment," said Adam Pizante.



“ I am mostly concerned with the environment all around. Landfills are overflowing. There is also water and air pollution. The list is endless. Every natural or precious resource that exists is or has been abused.

Most people don't realize the importance of being careful. With the way we treat the environment, soon when most resources have been used up, they will.”

To help keep the environment clean we must all gain knowledge on how to protect the environment,” said Virgil Castro.

“ The greatest social issues facing me today is the cost of public college education. Each year the cost of education increases greatly.

With job demands becoming more and more technical, higher education is a must. This forces many college students to attend college only part time in order to have a job to pay for college.

If the cost for college keeps rising, it will shut out those honest people who need education the most,” said Devin Boyce.

“ The greatest social issue facing me is the recession. The recession affects everyone in some way.

This drastic decline of the economic system can lead to budget cuts that take place at school, on the job, and even at home.

No single person really has control over the way the economy works. Those who feel it the worst can only pull together and hope for the best to come. We should stop worrying about other countries and take interest where it's needed most,” said Curtis Jacob.



◆ “Searching for a lower priced, high quality education can be quite a task. Although, if a good quality education is what you're looking for, the high price may be the best way to go,” said Devon Boyce, shown with Career Center Director, Jean Bernard.

◆ “Surgeons General Warning; smoking may cause lung cancer, emphysema and other respiratory ailments and may also cause women to have premature birth, birth defects, and low birth weight,” said Chad Avilla.

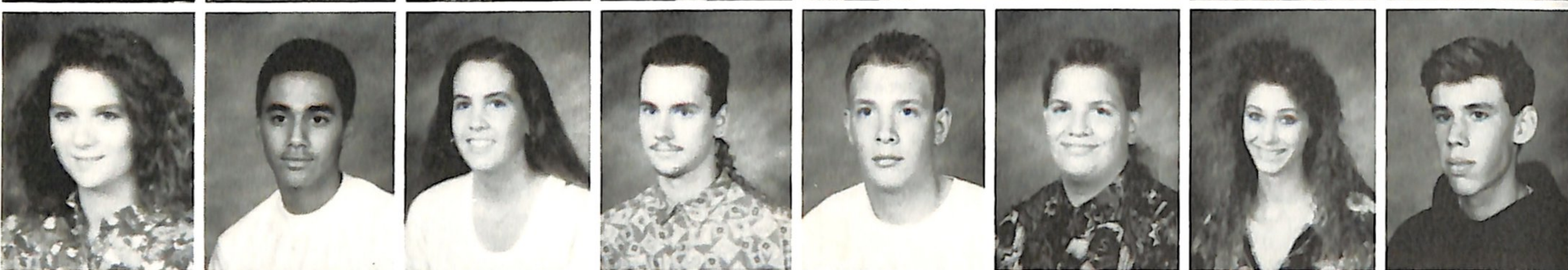
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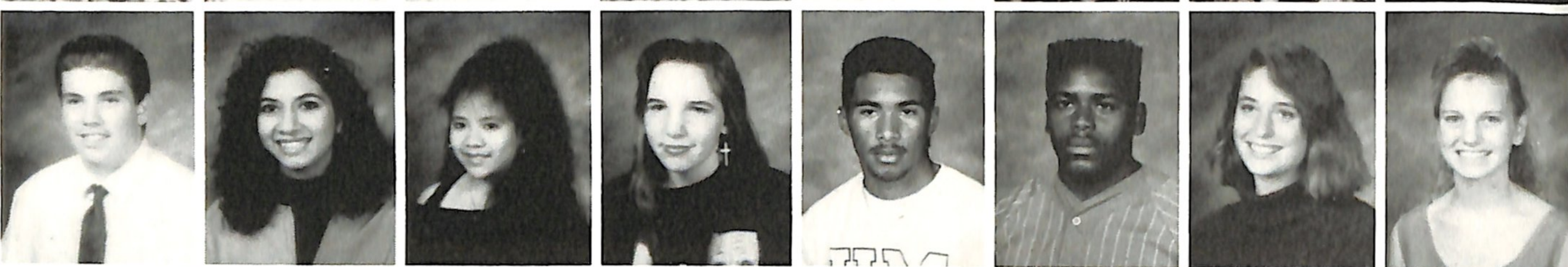
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N The Forming Of Talents M

Obody Does It Like The

Many of us have rare and unusual talents that separate us from the rest, but where do we get them? Many psychologists say that there is more than one way for a person to become exceptionally talented in one field. The reasons range from how we are raised to the fact that we are simply born with them talent. Angie Hoffer was definitely not born with her talent. "My aunt was a hula dancer and she convinced me to give it a try, so I joined her hula group in second grade and I am still a member."

Annie Earnshaw was raised into a surfing family. "My father was a surfer and he was constantly at the beach. My younger sister and I got into boogie boarding, then I decided to give surfing a try." Not everybody's talents are inherited. Some go out on a limb and try something new. Kenny Martin has been singing in church choirs since he started to talk, but he wanted something more. "I now play piano for the choir I first started singing in. I feel like my music puts me a little more out there."

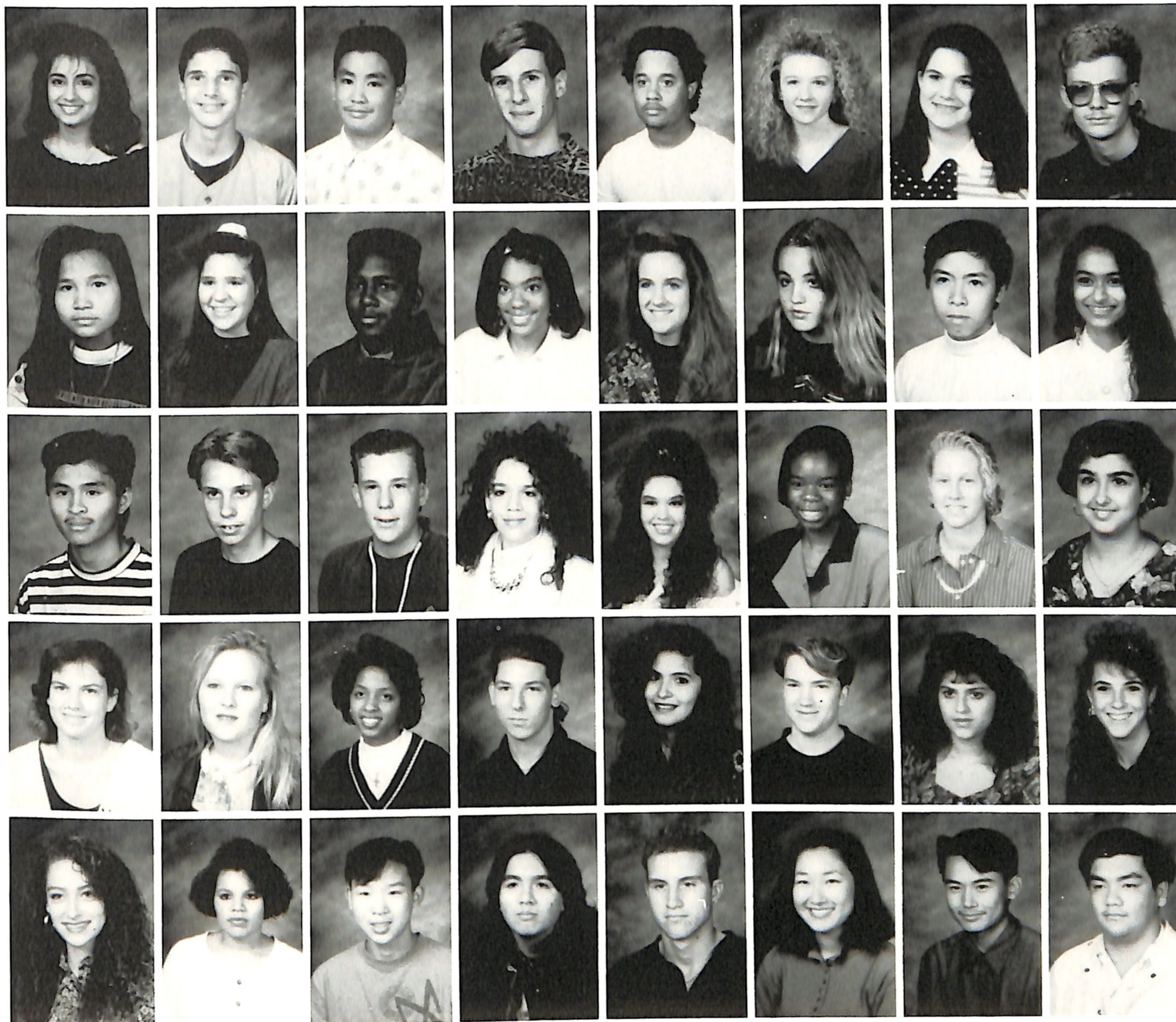
Some people were raised around a sport purposely so they will grow up to be sports oriented. Sabina Salas has been playing soccer and softball since third grade. "My father was very much into sports. If he wasn't playing a sport he was listening to it on the radio or watching it on T.V." Not only was Sabina involved in sports, but she also used the rest of her spare time to concentrate on her musical talents. "I started out playing clarinet and have mastered many other instruments such as bass drum, tuba, and the last one I tried was the bass guitar."

All of us have special talents. Whether or not we choose to express them is a decision we must make on our own, nobody can make that decision for you. So grab that hula skirt, baseball bat, keyboard, whatever it takes to express the talent you possess, and go for it!!!



*Up
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Junior Sabina Salas has a very active life. She is talented in more than one field. "I can't find enough hours in the day." Sabina stated when explaining her packed schedule. "I went to school, band and softball practice, babysat my brother and could still find time for my social life." Sabina isn't the only person who had a busy schedule. There were people rushing all the time. Rushing to work, home, practice, or a meeting of some sort. Summer vacation could never come too soon. For many it is anxiously awaited, and greeted with open arms.



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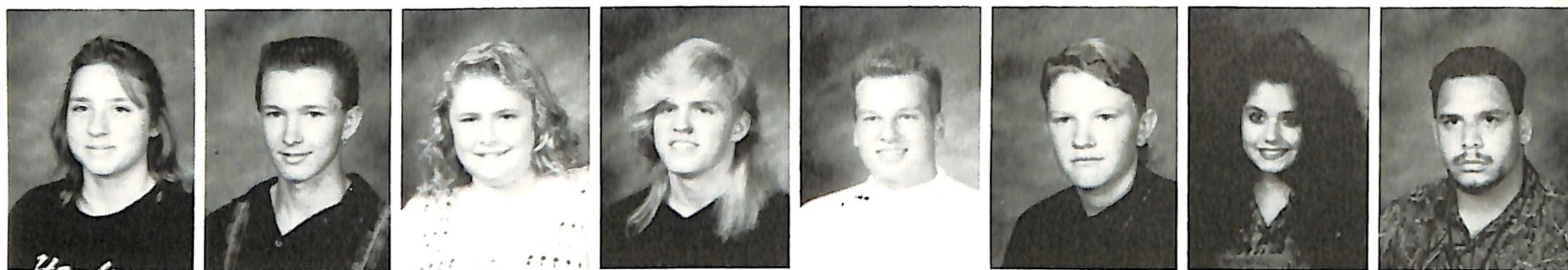
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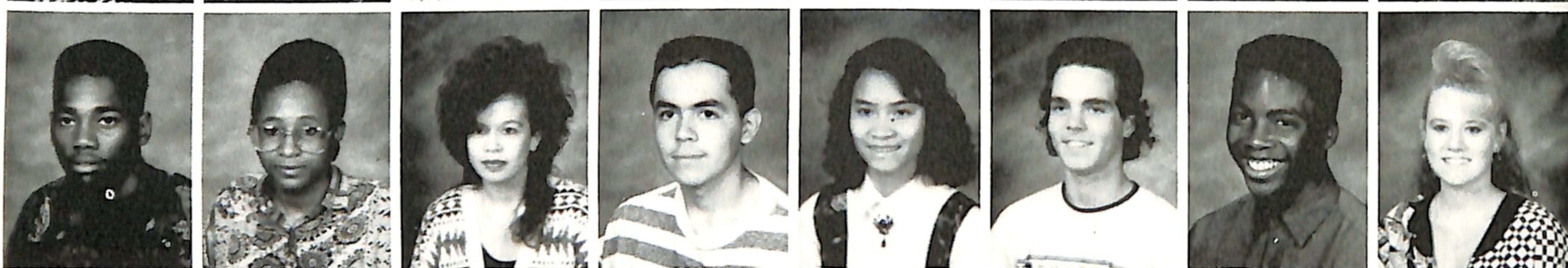
◆ Hula dancing is one of Angie Hoffer's favorite pastimes. "I have been a hula dancer since second grade in Ka Ohana O Nahuapala, a hula group which consists of thirty to forty people," she said.

◆ Dustin Macintosh demonstrates his dirt biking talents as he rides through the rugged hills. When asked how dirt biking makes him feel, he stated, "I feel free, like I can do anything and tackle any obstacle that I face."

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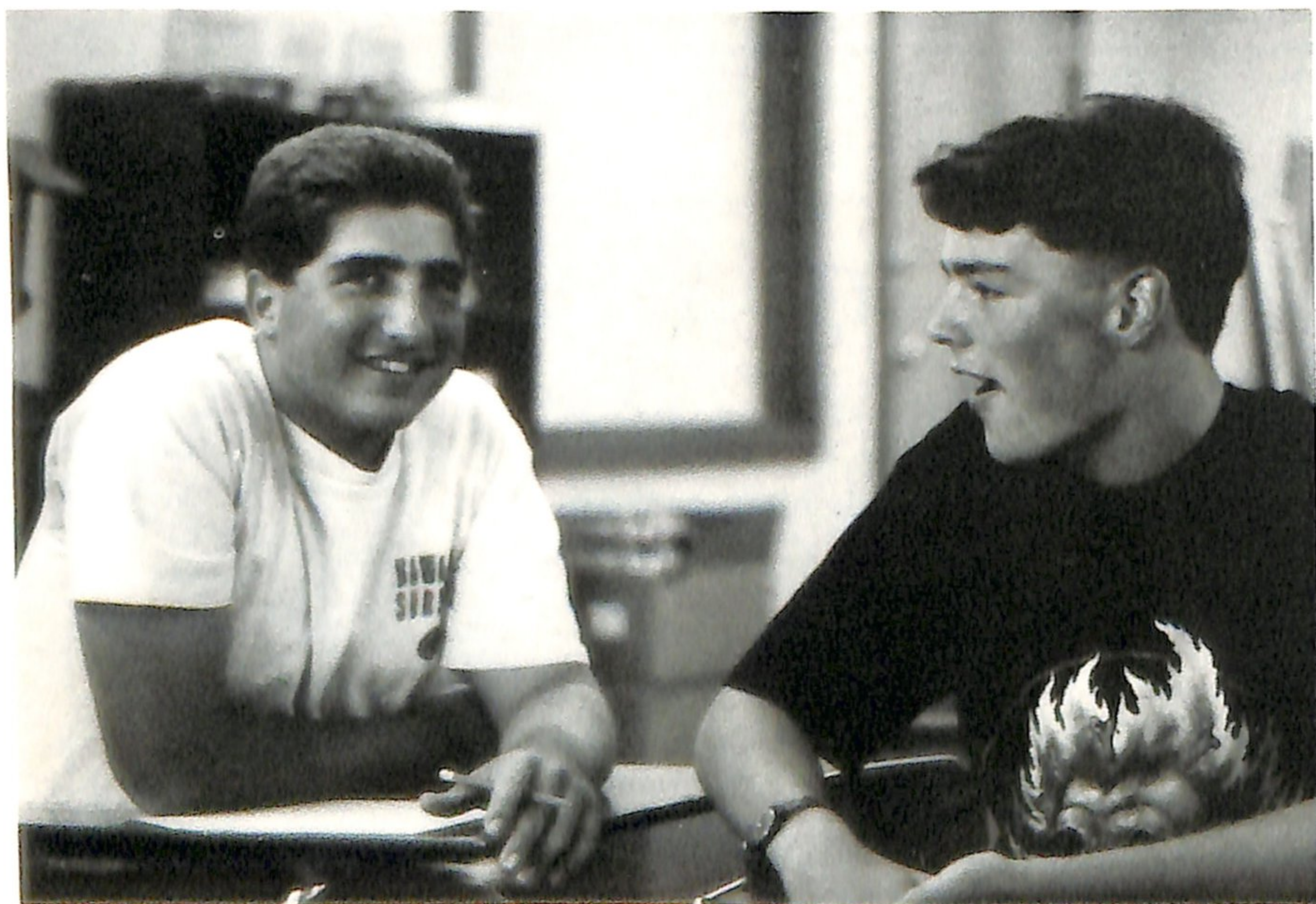
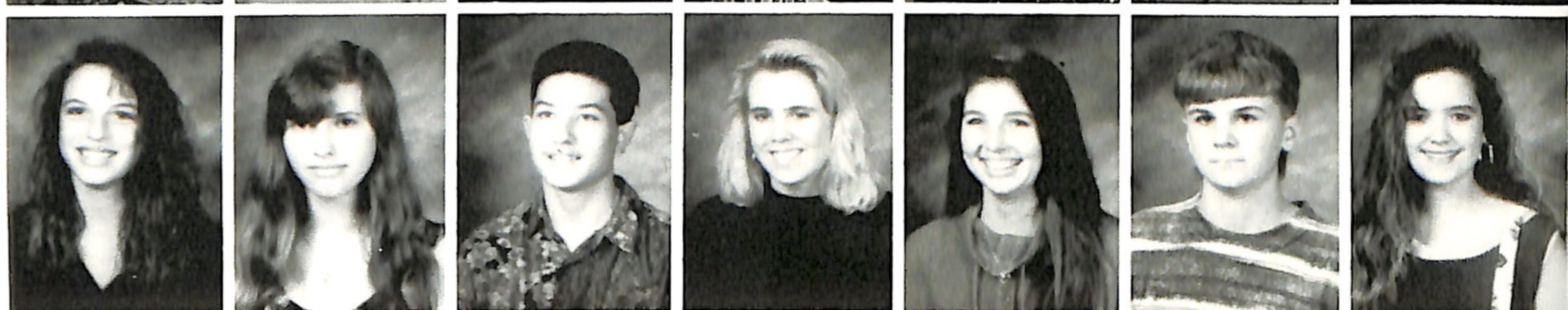
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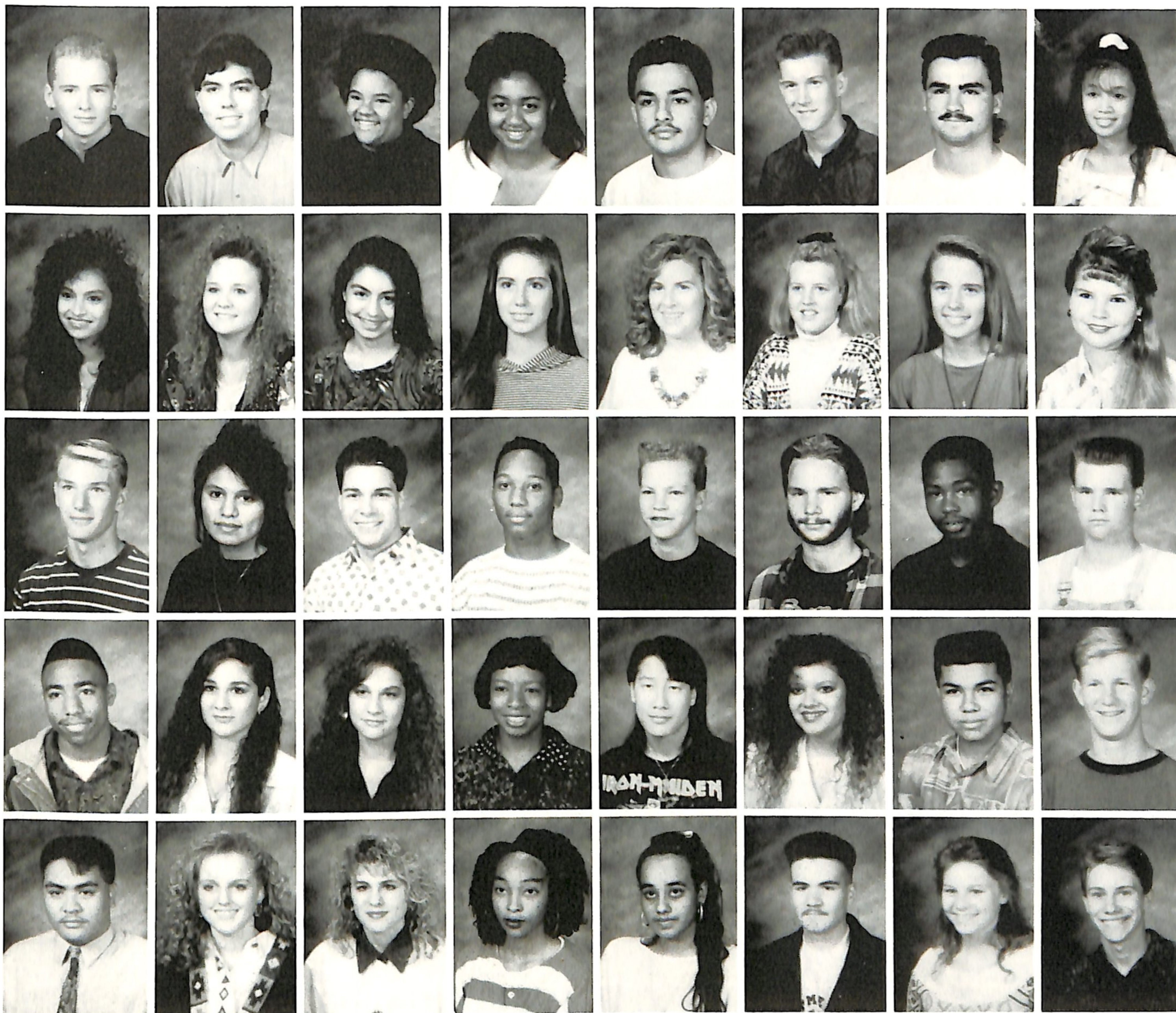
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◆ Discussing the advantages and disadvantages of being left handed Jesse Gros tells Mike Jensen, "It helps to be left handed when I'm playing the position of pitcher in baseball."

◆ Junior Pat Vogelpohl, a lefty on the golf team and a wonderful player, practices his golf swing. About his left-handed net, Pat says, "I was always the kid who had to play first base, and at the dinner table my parents put me at the end."





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Up Close

Anna Sawyer, a left-handed person says, "I was always told I have really beautiful hand writing." Some times being left-handed isn't as easy as a few compliments. "Usually I have to sit at the left-hand corner of the table to avoid bumping elbows with the right handers." Compromising with right-handed tools such as scissors and spiral notebooks come natural for left-handed people. "I've learned to compensate with right-handed things. I have no choice, mostly everything is catered to the right-hand world."

C Everything Seems Backwards D CAUGHT LEFT HANDED

People tend to thin that left-handed people or 'lefties' as they have come to be known, are strange or weird, but that's not true. In fact, lefties feel they are special and not the least bit strange. A long time ago people who were left-handed were considered witches. Anyone caught left-handed was tried and found guilty of witchcraft.

Today, lefties are accepted by everyone they come across. Senior Keri Bell says, "People make such a big deal about left-handers because there are not many of them in this world, and when they come across one they notice it."

Left-handed Junior Alfonso Talusik's twin brother Peter, a righty, comments that, "Having so much in common with my brother Alfonso, I find it interesting that he's left-handed because we're so much alike, that his being a lefty makes us different from one another."

Pat Vogelpohl, a sophomore, was a lefty on the golf team and an excellent player. Pat says, "It's pretty hard to find golf clubs and people always hassle me. They say things like, 'Oh, you're hitting on the wrong side of the ball!'" Senior Angie Walker says, "People notice that left-handers are different. We're more creative, we're more unique." When asked if she felt lefties get the same respect as righties in sports, Angie replied, "I make sure that I get the same respect. Just because a person is left-handed doesn't mean they aren't any good. Talent comes from within, not from being left or right-handed."

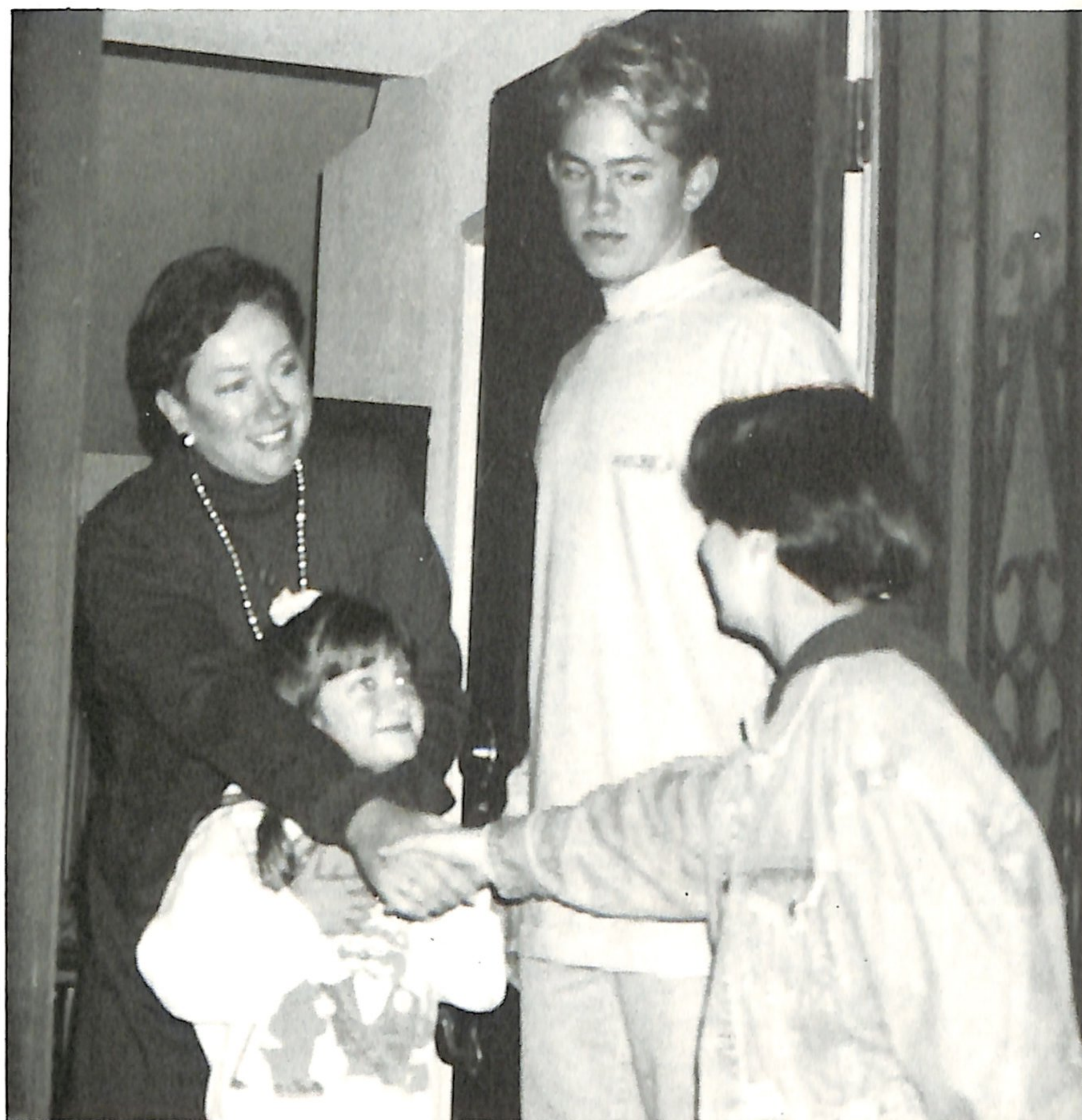
Although lefties have been teased over the years, and given the silly nickname "Southpaw", some right-handers think that being left-handed is 'pretty cool.'

Student counselor Mr. Starr says, "The only thing I'm so concerned with about being left-handed is that I wish they would put the door knobs on the other side. It seems as if everything is made for the right-handers."

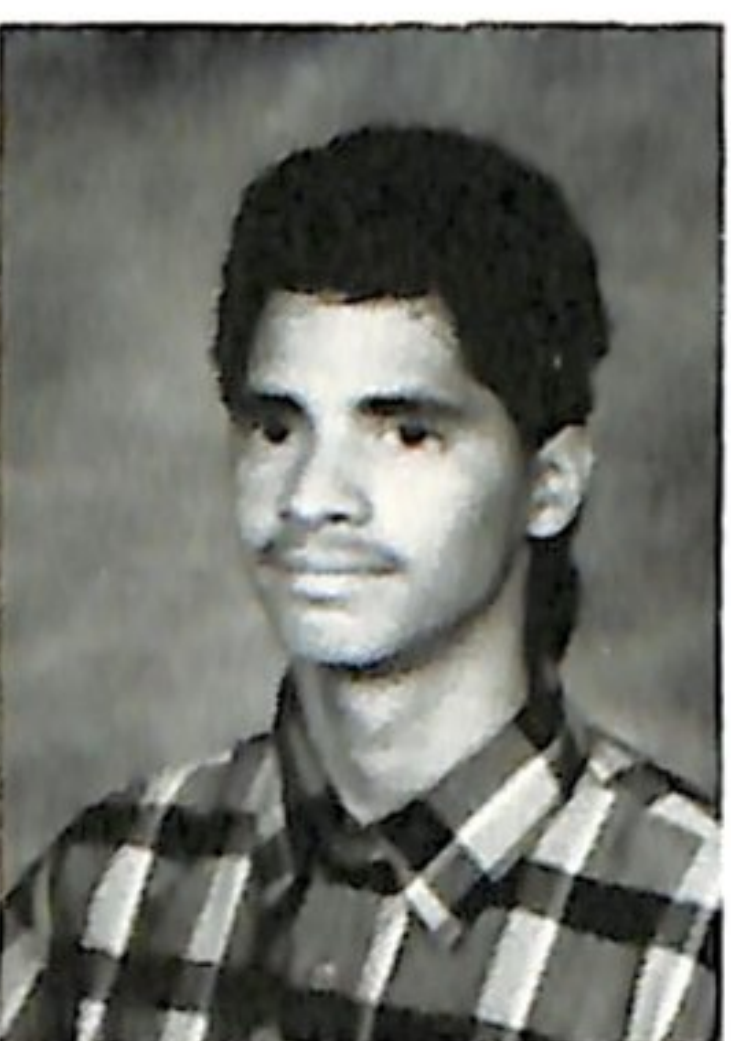
Statistics show that lefties are good at math, they are very artistic and extremely creative. So wouldn't you say that lefties are alright?

➤ Kelly Kohl listens attentively with new pal Fred Watson. Fred's father lays down the laws on how to treat a girl to a fun-filled, yet safe, date. "I feel like such a child when my dad has to meet and approve of my girlfriend. Making it worse, he tells me how to treat a lady," expressed Fred.

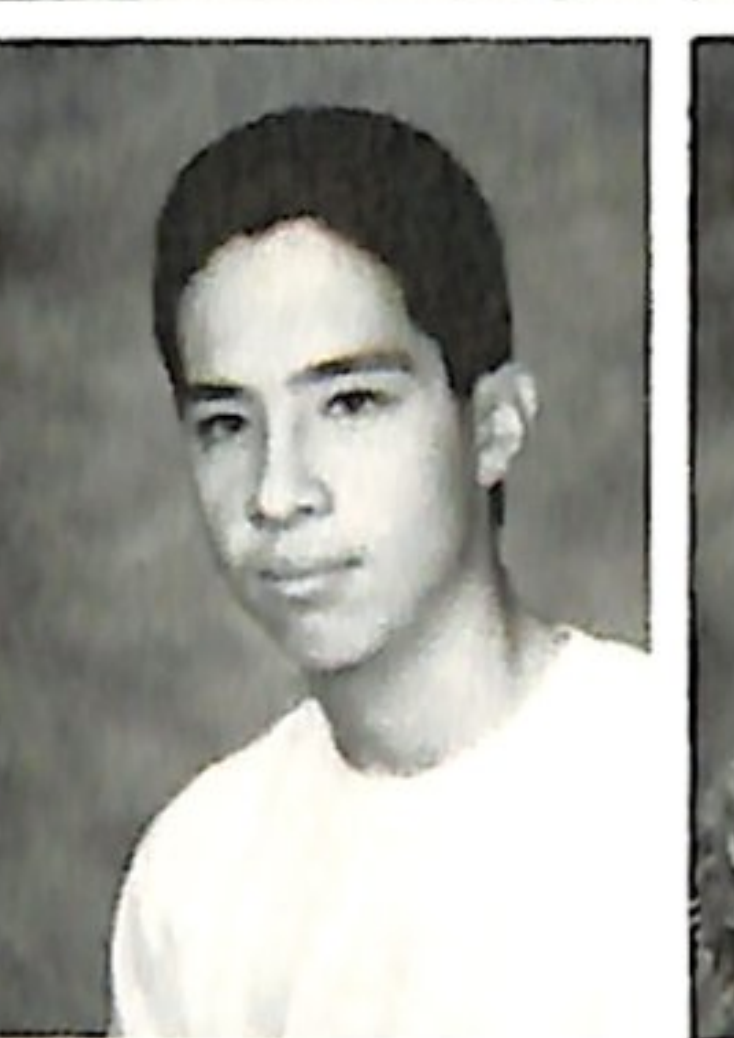
◆ Mike O'Boyle gets approval from his mother of his new friend Dawn Schuman. Dawn made such a good first impression that even Mike's little sister shines with approval. "I was so nervous with what his parents were going to think of me, that I forgot who I was going out with," laughed Dawn.



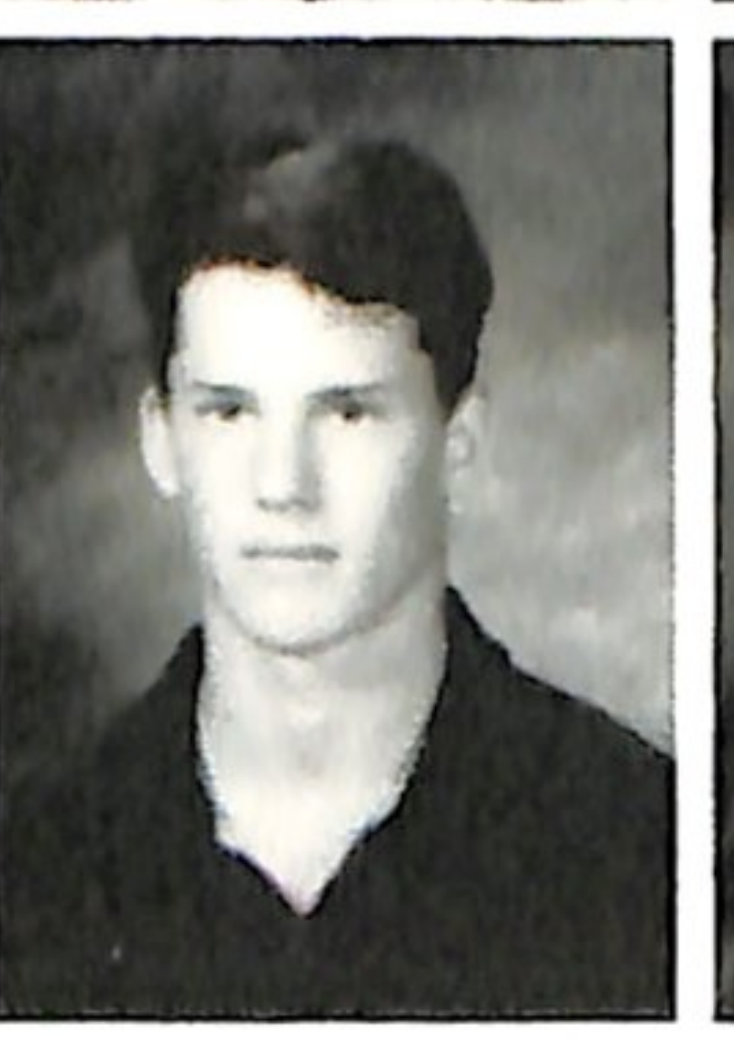
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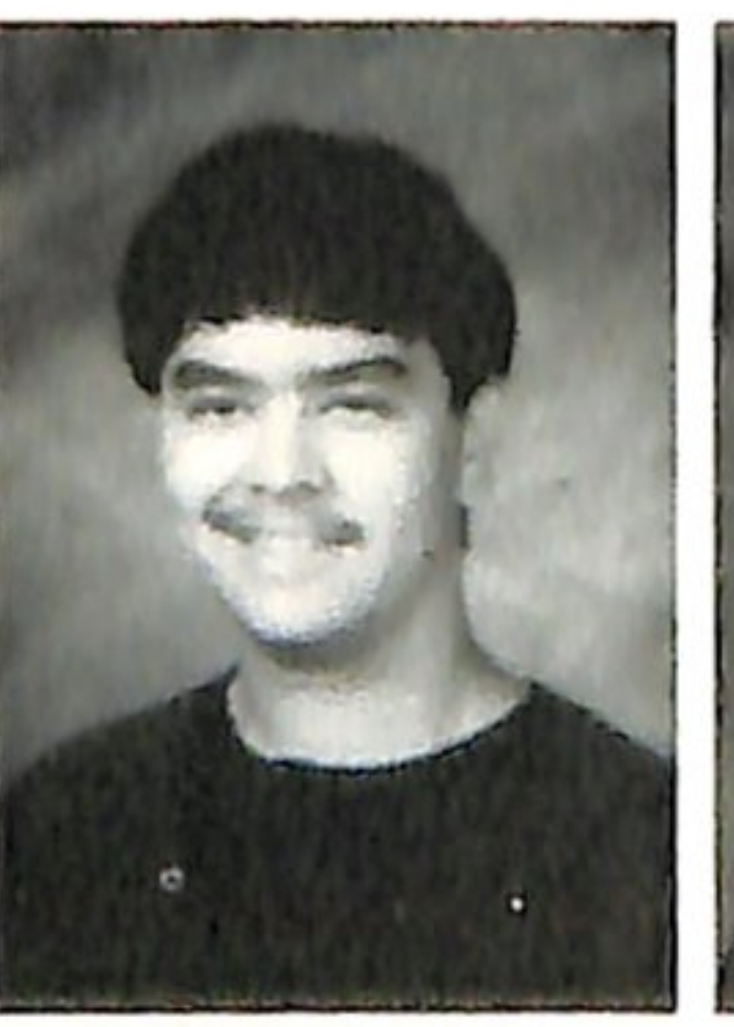
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P Will They Approve Or Not? PARENTS' FIRST IMPRESSION N

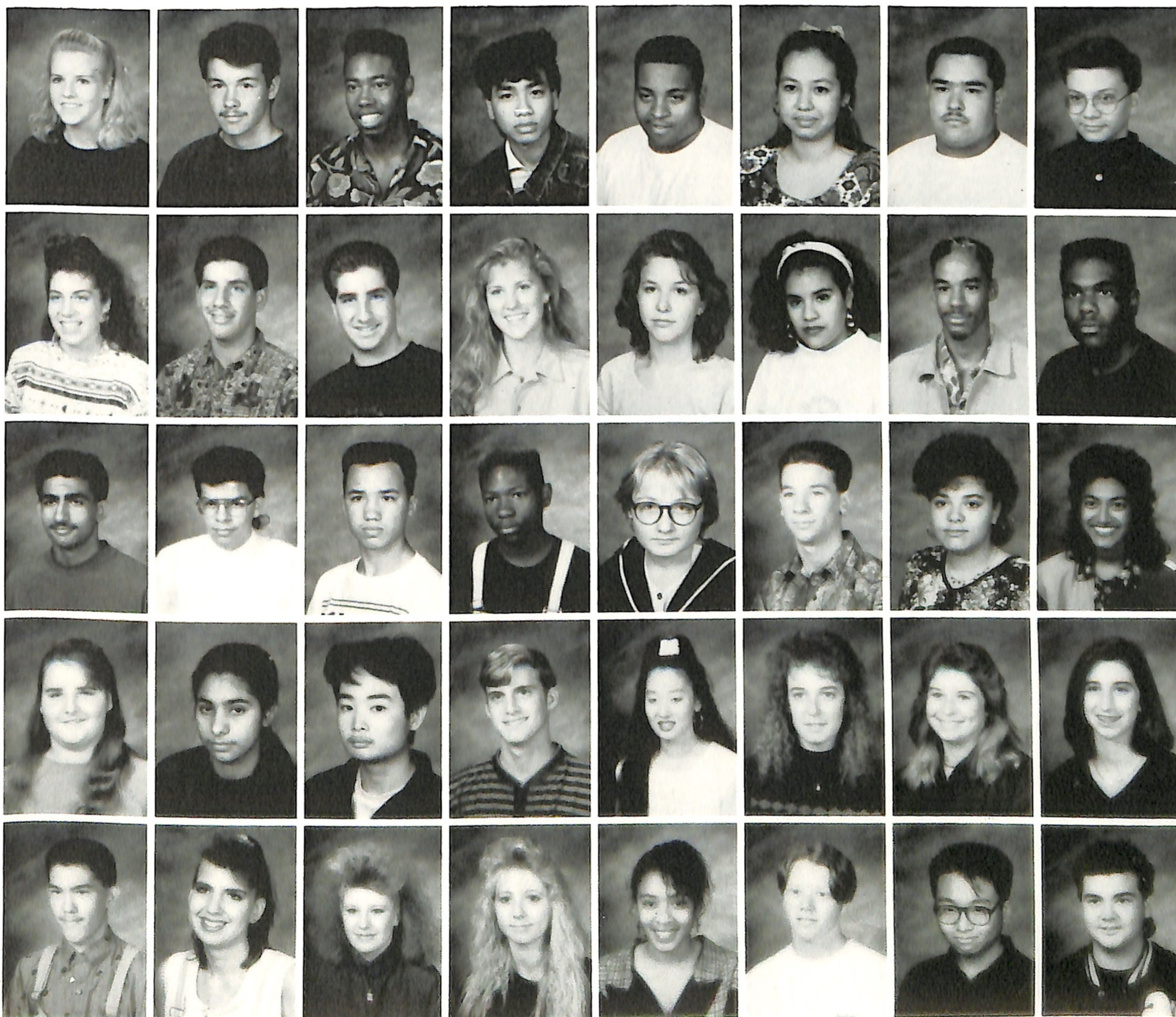
Mrs. Eileen Smith is an experienced parent in the approval of teenage gentlemen. "I feel that friendship is a vital starting point before becoming serious." She has two daughters, Stephanie and Paula, and feels that she only needs to approve of the person that they will someday marry. "Right now, they are going to date lots of people before finding the one that will be right for them. Also, I feel that it is important for the couple to have many values in common, along with similar interests and hobbies."

The time had finally arrived to introduce Mom and Dad to that special someone in your life; your boyfriend or girlfriend. With a combination of late night phone calls and a continuously happy attitude, it was quite obvious to parents that a new friendship was in the making and questions started flying. "What is his name?", "How old is he?" and the inevitable, "Why haven't we met him yet?" Stunned by the questions, the decision was made that their encounter had been avoided long enough and it was time for them to meet, face to face!

Stacie Bryant remembered the first time she brought her boyfriend home to meet her parents. She said, "My dad asked about a million stupid questions. After that, he told me that my boyfriend was a dork, right in front of his face! Also, to make it worse, he said that his pretty, little girl should have a boyfriend who looks like he is going to make something of himself, he even proceeded in giving examples; like a doctor, or a lawyer, or any other high paying job. I was so embarrassed! However, despite his comments, I didn't let his opinion bother me at all."

Sometimes parents have a little bit more influence over their child's choice. "The first time I met my girlfriend's mom, she hated me right away, only because I have black hair. A couple of days later, we broke up," revealed Mike Childress.

Parents usually have a set of standards for their child's boyfriend or girlfriend. As Kirsten Sanderson said, "My parents expect my boyfriend to come up to the door when we go out on a date, not just honk the horn." Yvonne Honeycutt laughed, "The first thing my mom asked was if he had a job." Most parents' expectations are high, but usually they'll settle for the fact that their child is happy.



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Do Teens Understand? FREEDOM ISN'T FRE



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Freedom is a big part of a teenagers life. Along with freedom comes the responsibility to not misuse or abuse it. The hardest part of growing up is learning to judge between the proper use of freedom and the improper use of it. The more responsibility people take for their actions the better off society will be. On campus, students take on responsibilities every day. Students have the freedom of an open campus at lunch, but they also carry the responsibility not to abuse this privilege.

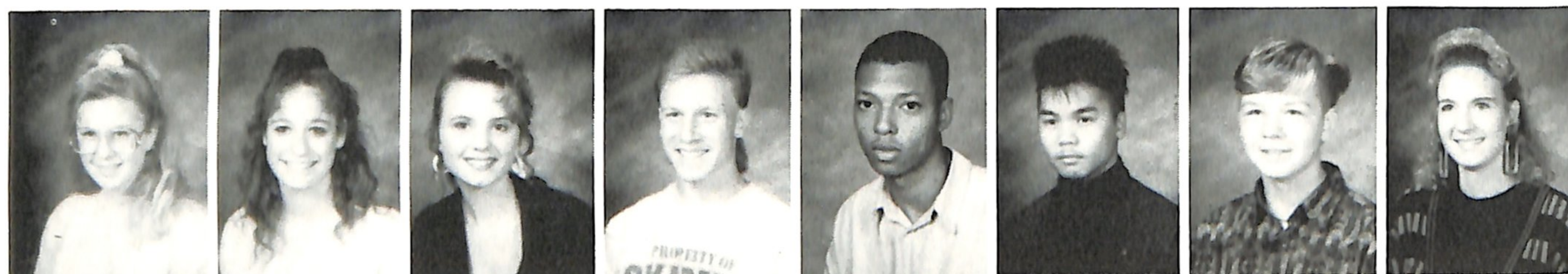
There are many people who hold the opinion that teenagers are irresponsible and lazy. However, many students seemed to believe otherwise. Responsibility comes in many forms. Sophomore Mike Warren feels his responsibilities take up most of his time. "I'm a leader on the baseball team, I have to take care of my brothers and sisters, I have to be home by nine o'clock, and I'm expected to get good grades" said Mike.

Junior Lara Hall also carries a lot of responsibilities. A typical Saturday for her begins at 4:30 a.m. She drives to work at the Burger King restaurant on Holiday Lane where she is responsible for making sure the place is open for business at 6:00 a.m. "It's difficult for me to handle my responsibilities because a lot of people demand my time. My teachers expect my assignments in on time, my boss expects me to perform my tasks well, both of my parents work, so I am expected to take care of my brother until they get home as well as doing most of the housework. I work hard at my job because I enjoy the freedom of driving, but the price is paying for my gas and insurance."

These are just a few of the many examples of teenagers who take their responsibilities seriously. They know dealing with responsibility is something everybody must learn. The faster teenagers learn, the easier the transition from childhood to adulthood.

Junior Mike Emerick has many responsibilities which require his attention. Aside from being on the successful water-polo and swim teams, he also carries a paper route seven days a week. In addition, he is expected to earn good grades. "If I didn't have responsibility, I wouldn't mature into a contributing member of society, and I would be unable to achieve my future goals, such as going to college, getting a good job, and doing the best I can to succeed in life."

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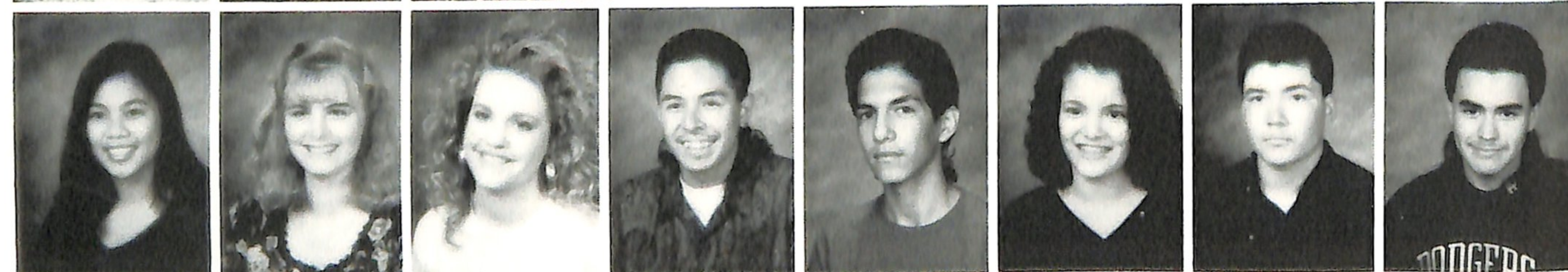
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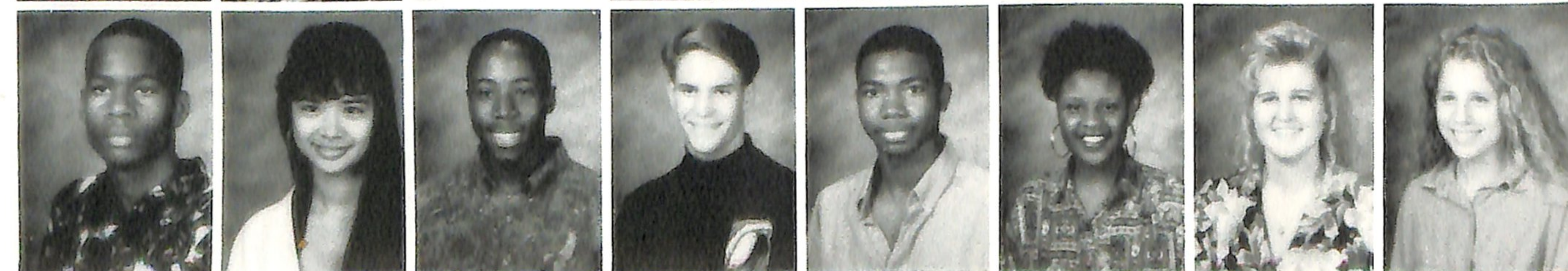
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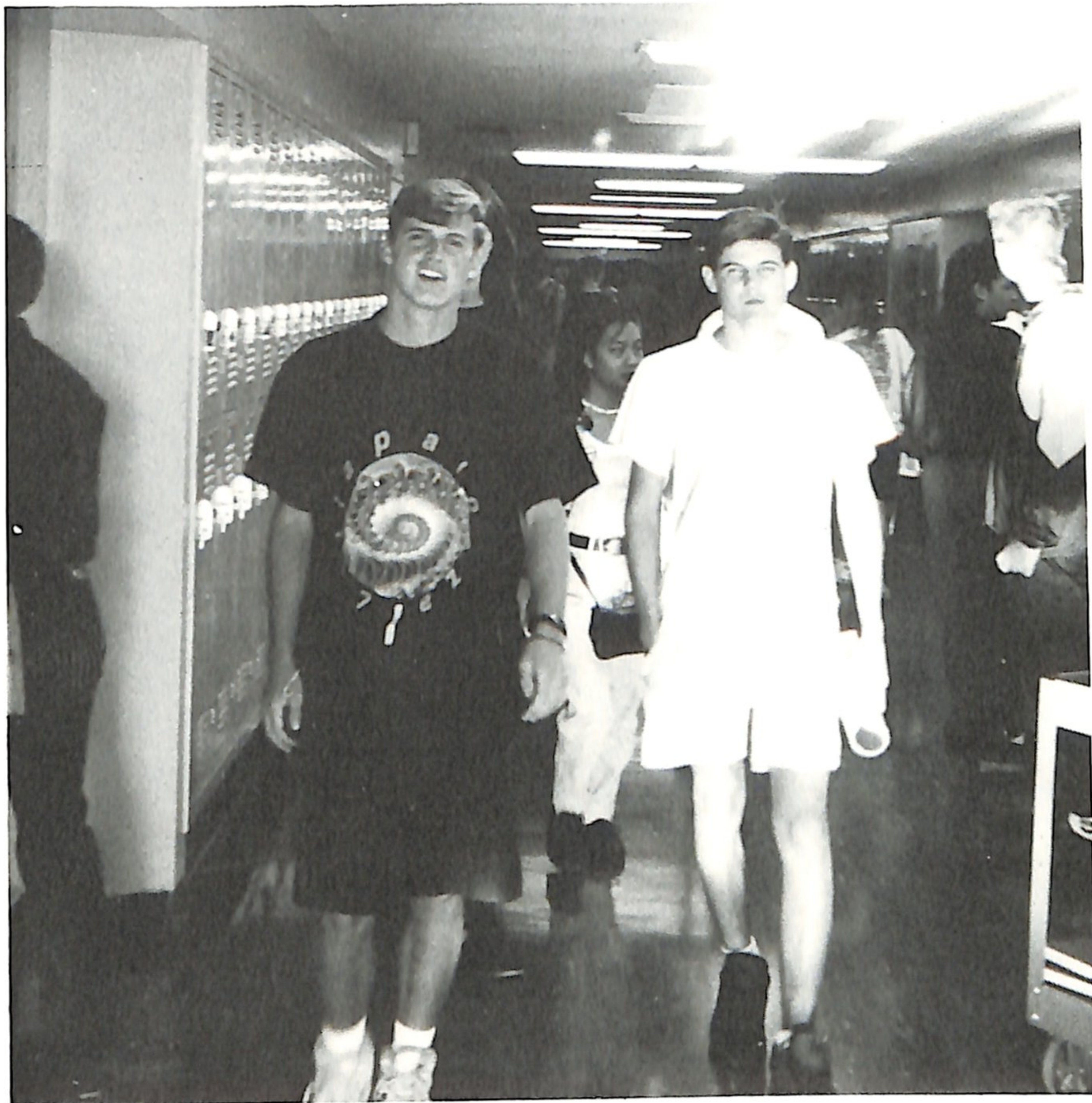


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◆ Justin Kibler and Frank Vaughan on their way to fulfilling one of the many responsibilities expected of students, arriving to class on time. Frank pointed out, "If you're not responsible, you'll get yourself in trouble!"

♥ Jacob Azevedo studying hard on a typical school night. "I have to maintain a 3.0 G.P.A. or I can't drive," he said. "I try to keep from procrastinating because that's my worst enemy."



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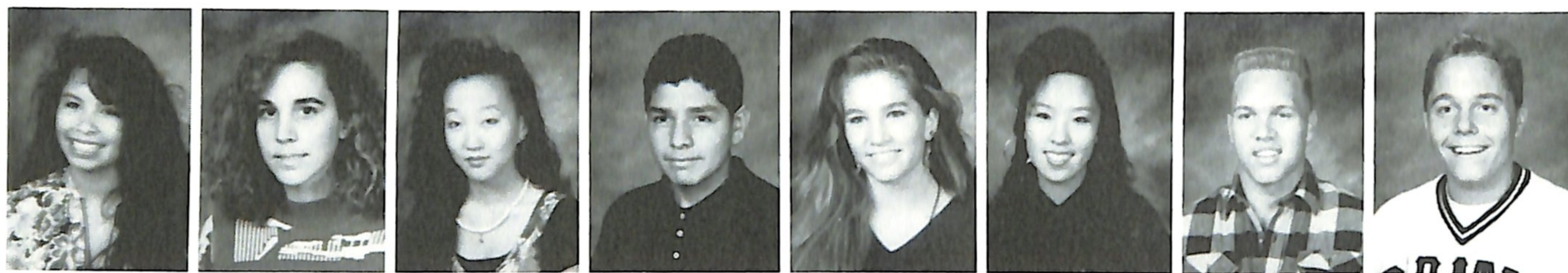
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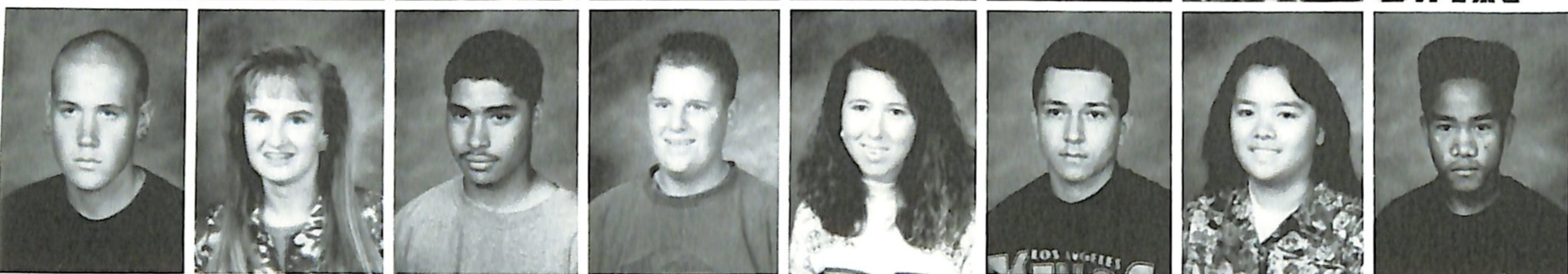
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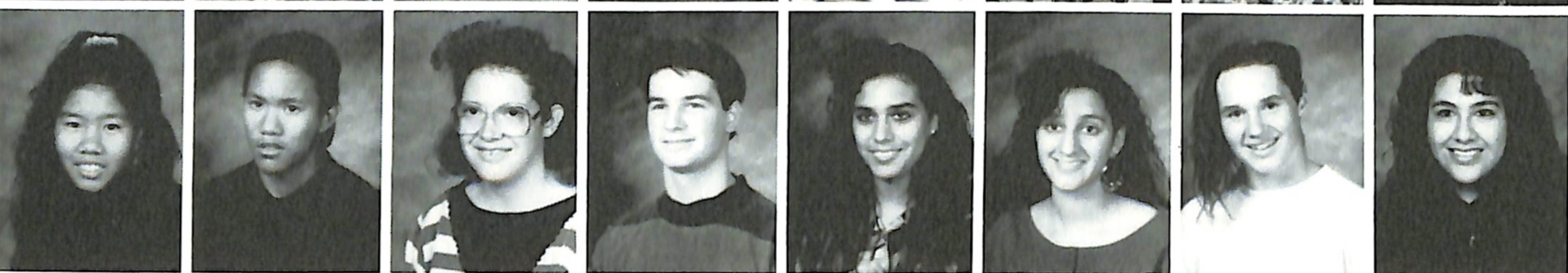
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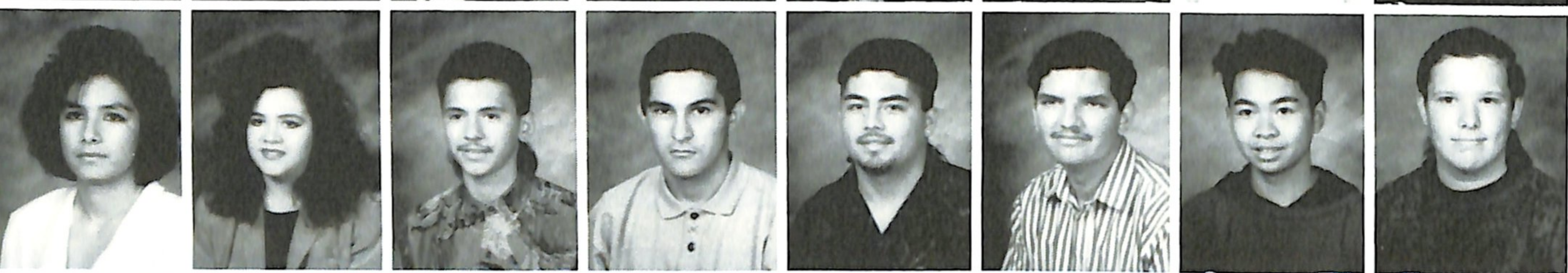
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Portades, Lee
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Ramey, Daniel
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Ramirez, Ricky
Ratti, Jatinder
Raulo, Rallie
Ravina, Jason



Reed, Joy
Regan, Thomas
Reiss, Jeremy
Remedi, Natalie
Richardson, Julie
Reyes, Luane
Revilla, Ross
Resultan, Theodore



T They're Still Going.... S ELEVISION COMMERCIALS



Up
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Two distraught cowboys exit the saloon. Only one will return. As they go their separate ways down the dusty road, they prepare their trusty pistols for the final showdown, and just before Clint Eastwood yells, "DRAW!" it happens. The curse of the commercial never fails. One of everyone's least favorite lines comes on. It's either, "We'll be back after these messages." or, "And now a word from our sponsors".

Commercials were invented with good intentions, but nobody appreciates it when the last five minutes of their favorite movie lasts twenty minutes because of them. Even though they may be annoying, those interruptions that can last anywhere from two to ten minutes do have purpose.

One of those purposes is to advertise a company's product. Another reason there are commercials is because that is how the television stations make money. Not everyone finds commercials annoying, however.

Sometimes, they manage to give the viewer a pretty good laugh. As shown by a recent poll, the majority of viewers think commercials are O.K. and the main reason for liking them was the humor.

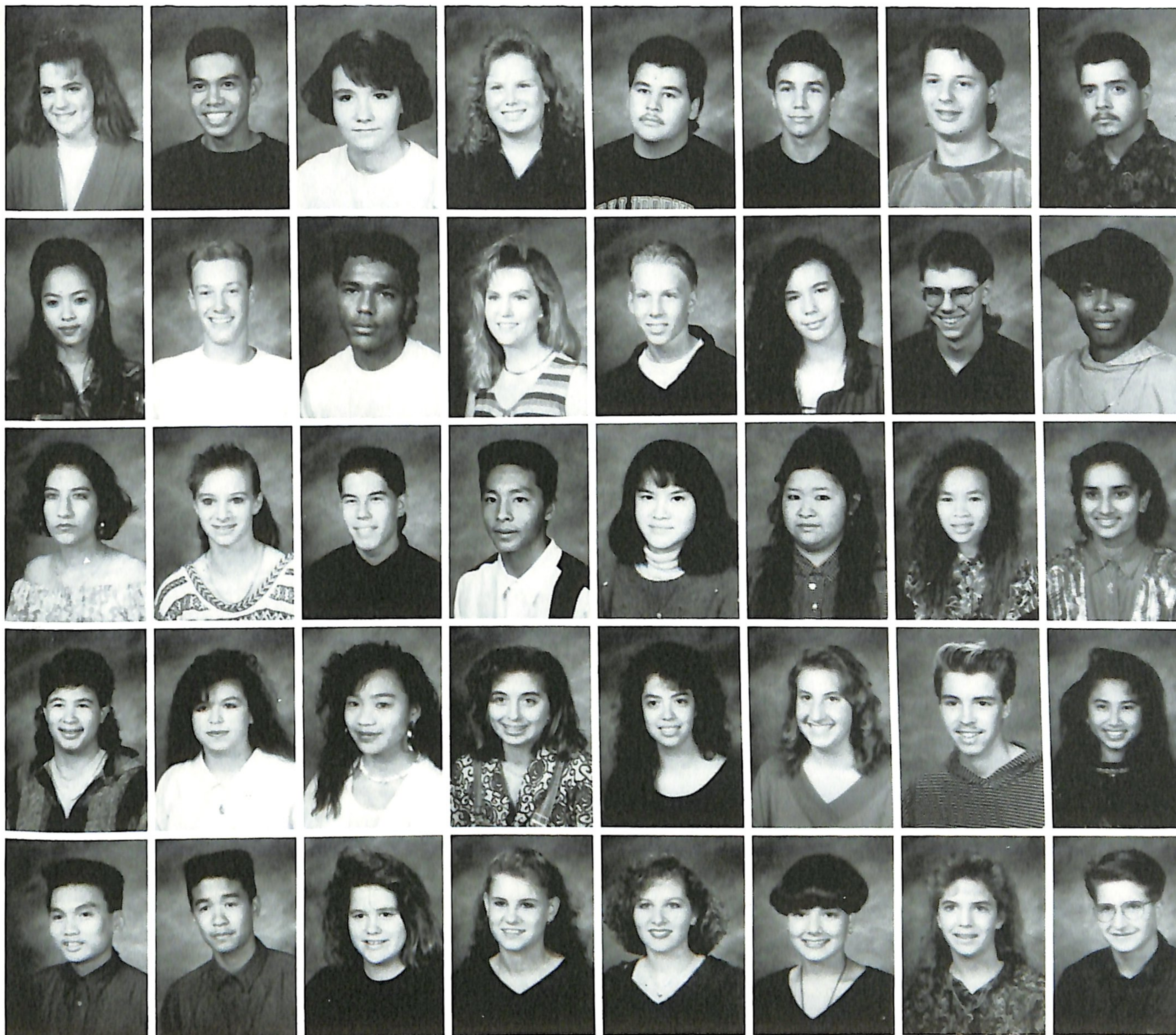
Another good point was that they can sometime help build suspense by cutting in during tense moments in a show. Tremaine Tucker relates, "I have no problem with commercials. They're a nice change of pace when my favorite soaps get too hot and heavy."

Just like at the movies commercials serve as in-home intermissions. As Linda Loken, hall monitor, said, "A lot of commercials aren't worth watching, but they do give me a chance to make microwave popcorn and discuss the film."

All in all, commercials are part of television, and many people enjoy them, and, just like the Energizer Bunny, "they're still going ..."

When asked how she felt about commercials, Erika Menjivar said, "I really don't mind watching commercials, but usually I flip through the channels whenever one comes on." According to Erika, she didn't watch commercials because she found them boring and rather annoying. "The ones that really bugged me are the Gorlick sisters in the Denny's commercials," Erika stated.

However she did find some commercials amusing. She said, "My favorite was the Round Table commercial with the guy's face in the middle of the pizza saying 'buy this pizza now!'"



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 Rimando, Travis
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 Robertson, Judith
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 Rodriguez, Richard
 Rodriguez, Efrain

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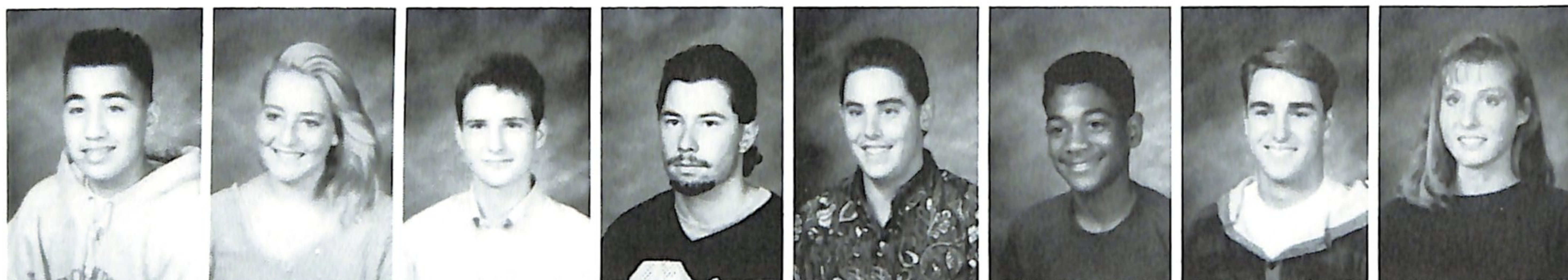
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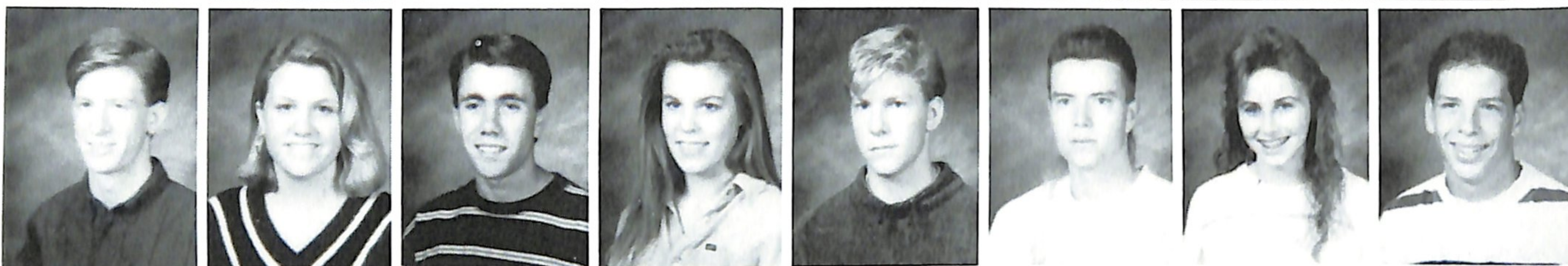
Commercials influence the kinds of products people buy. "There are so many different products which serve the same purpose, and I want the best. Doesn't everybody?", said Aman Yoseph.

Commercial advertisement is an important element in funding the yearbook. Robert Ayer sold an ad contract to Mr. Peter Caine of the Herman Goelitz Candy Company.

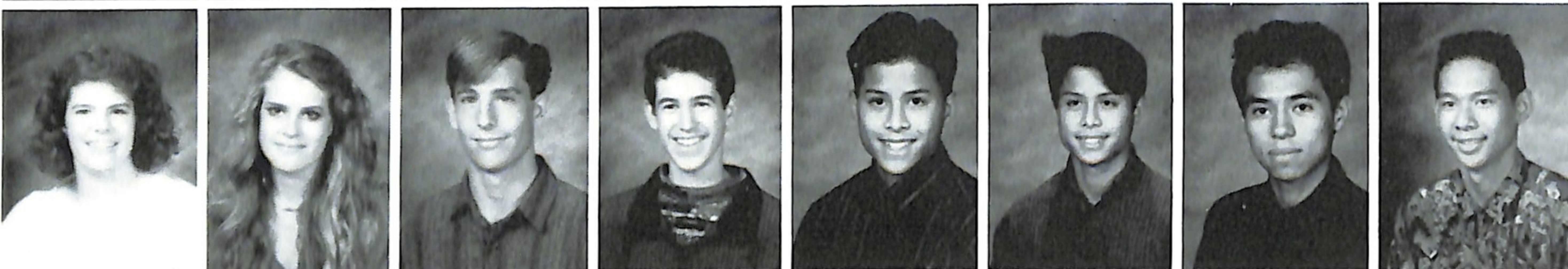
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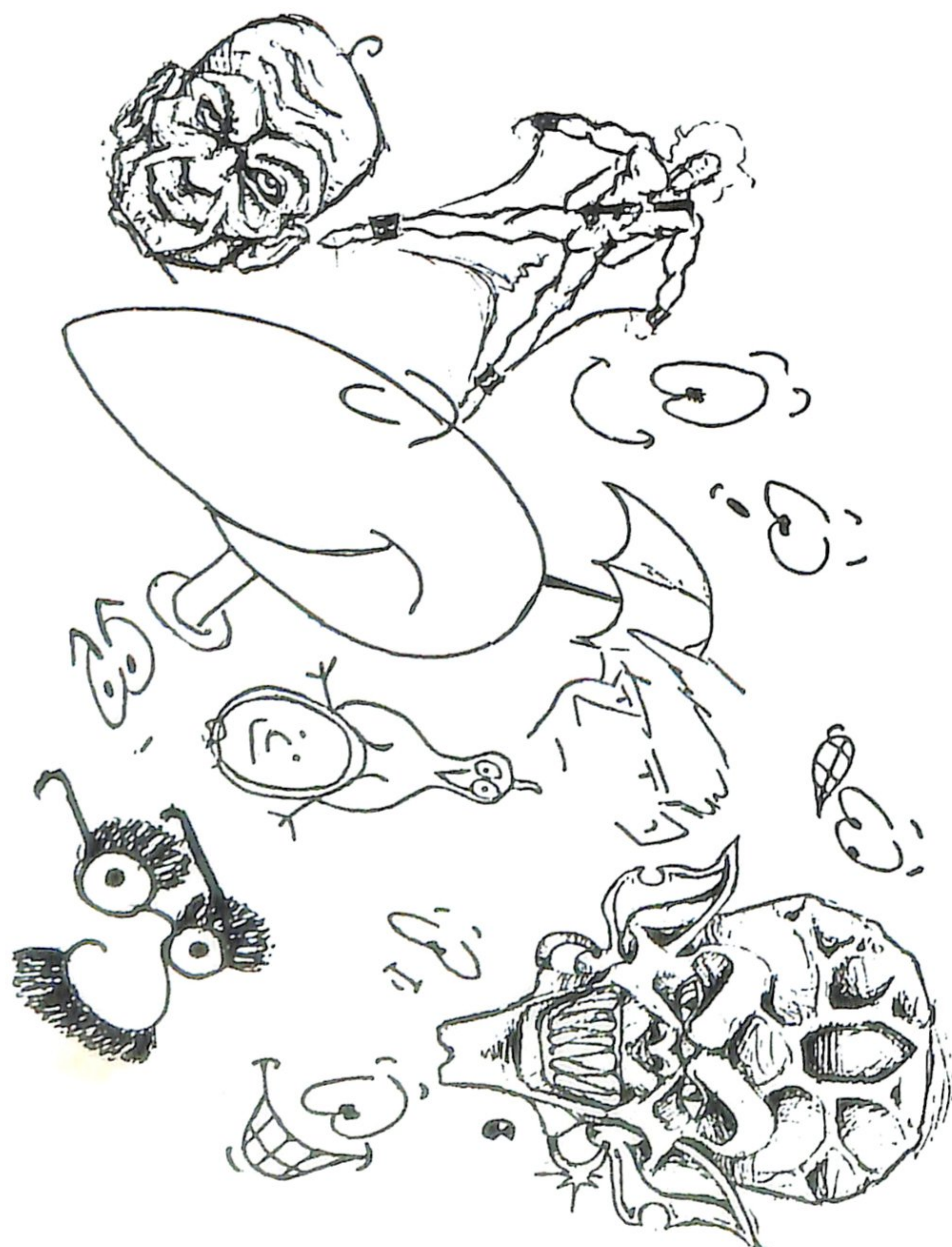
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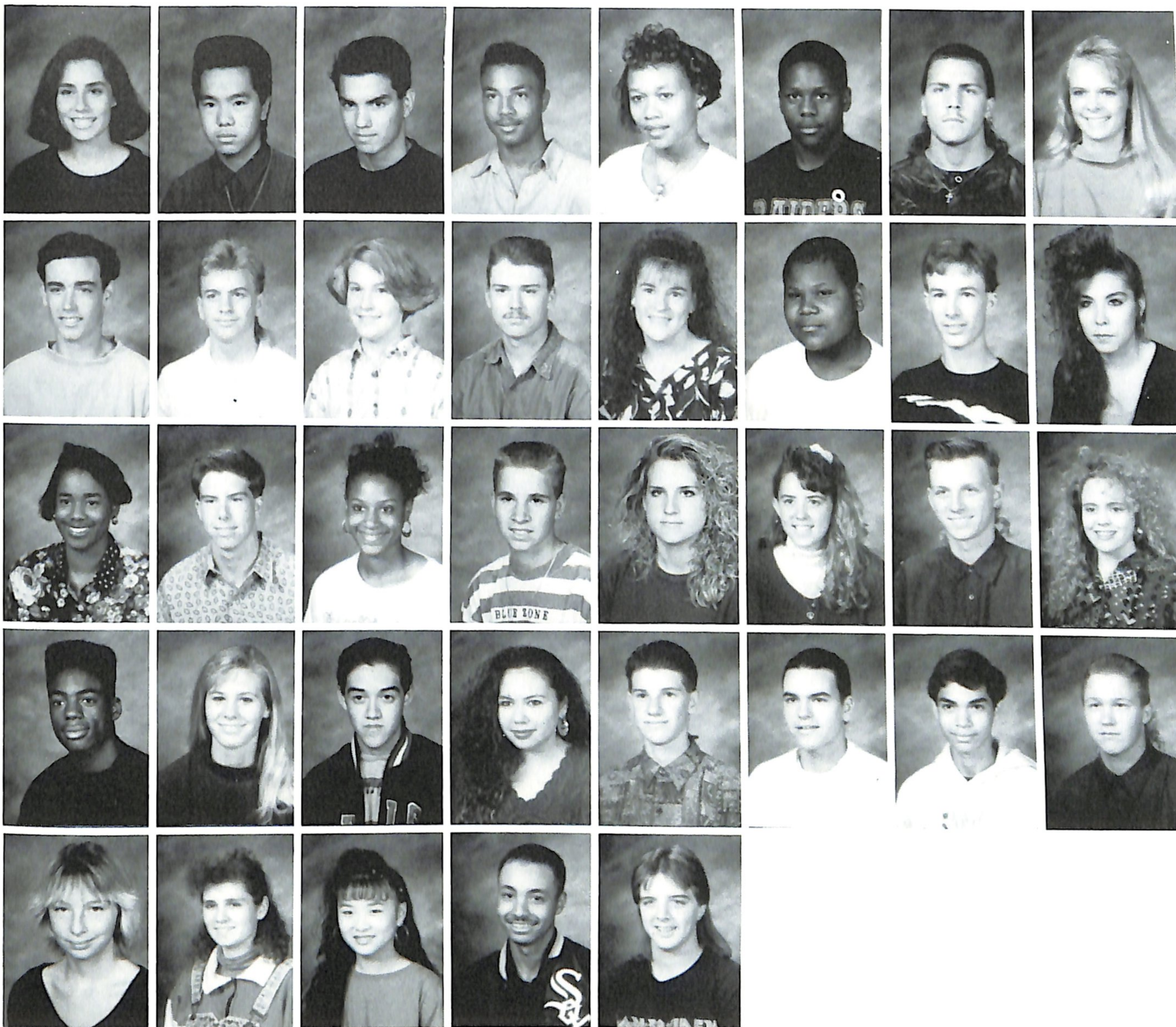


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Twitchell, Eric
Valenzuela, Rossio
Valli, Steven



◆ Oodles and oodles of doodles. These are examples of doodles submitted by professionals like Juniors Laura Sandberg, Tremaine Tucker, Nicole Van Vacas, and Senior Skye Cassano.

▲ Doodling becomes an artform when put into the hands of Junior Reuben Elliot. It's obvious that his mind is not on the lecture but on the drawing.



Van Vacas, Nicole
Vang, Chao
Vanguardia, Michael
Varnado, Reco
Vaughn, Carla
Vaughn, Michael
Victor, Jason
Vladyka, Deborah

Wagar, Matt
Walker, Mark
Wallace, Tina
Wallace, William
Ward, Anna
Ward, Jesse
Ward, Shawn
Warhust, Jessica

Watkins, Latanya
Watson, Fred
Watts, Claudette
Wavrock, Richard
Weathers, Stacy
Weeks, Sasha
Weinmann, Te Jay
Weirich, Amy

White, Freddie
White, Jodi
Whittenburg, Richard
Williams, Dawn
Willis, Mike
Wilson, Ronald
Wulsin, Fred
Yancy, Chris

Yarbrough, Tamara
Young, Darlene
Yu, Lindy
Zeigler, Adam
Zimmerman, Brian



*Up
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S Doodling As An Artform SCRIBBLES AND SCRATCHES S

To some teachers, Tremaine (Termite) Tucker will be seen doodling in class instead of paying attention. Ironically, Termite said he doodles to make himself look busy in class. But he has had a habit of doodling for a long time.

Just where and when does he find the time to doodle? "I doodle on the back of my tests, on the windows of my car, or in my food with ketchup and mustard. I doodle while on the phone, on car trips, in a plane."

Being an artist won't help him to break the habit. But maybe it's not a habit that needs to be broken.

Do you spend each day in class wide awake or do you wander off into your own little world? Most people would agree that everyone has doodled at some point in their life. Especially the teachers would agree, who have to watch students doodle every year. Everybody needs dream time to stay healthy, even during the day. Often times, students spend some of that daydream time by doodling in class. But why do we do it? Why do we pointlessly scribble silly pictures all over the closest piece of paper? Laura Sandberg defines doodling as, "... the way to release crazed boredom, a sane way to relieve insanity, a way to pass time in class, a form of art." There is truth in Laura's words, since people usually doodle when they are bored or have nothing better to do.

People often doodle to keep themselves busy. But there is more to doodling than just giving your hands something to do. "When I'm bored on the phone, I just draw lines up and down. When I'm interested, I draw circles," stated Nicole Van Vacas. Tremaine Tucker said, "I usually draw animals or just people like the kids around me in class." There may be symbolism or hidden meanings in doodles. Some psychologists believe that doodles help them to show feelings that a patient can't describe in words. For instance, Tremaine draws people, possibly showing that people are important to him. If you are constantly drawing dollar signs, you may be obsessed with money. Drawing blades such as swords and daggers show anger or frustration. Circular shapes or doodles of the sun mean an optimistic or happy point of view. Flowers and trees show a love of nature and flowers and hearts show love. Think about what you've drawn the next time you doodle, you may reveal something about yourself that you didn't already know.

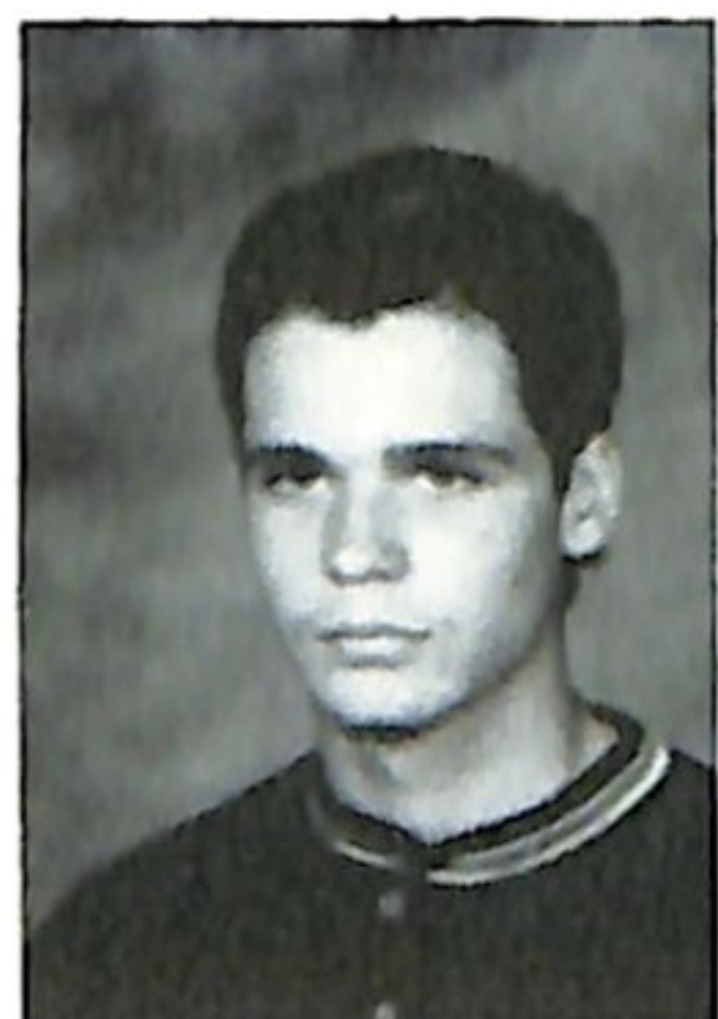
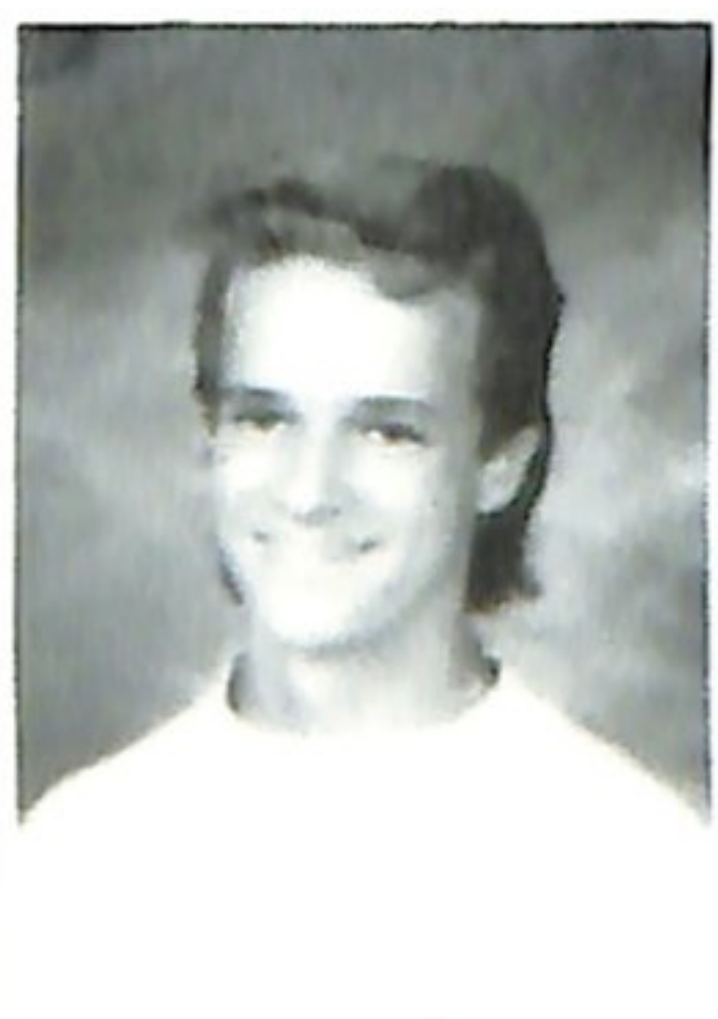
◆ Sarah Dotson likes to sit in trunks of people's cars during her lunch break. When the change in lunches came about she wasn't so thrilled but adapted to it. "Sitting in the trunks of people's cars is pretty comfortable, but some ask me why I do it, and I just smile and say that I'm a little strange, then I just laugh," she said jokingly.



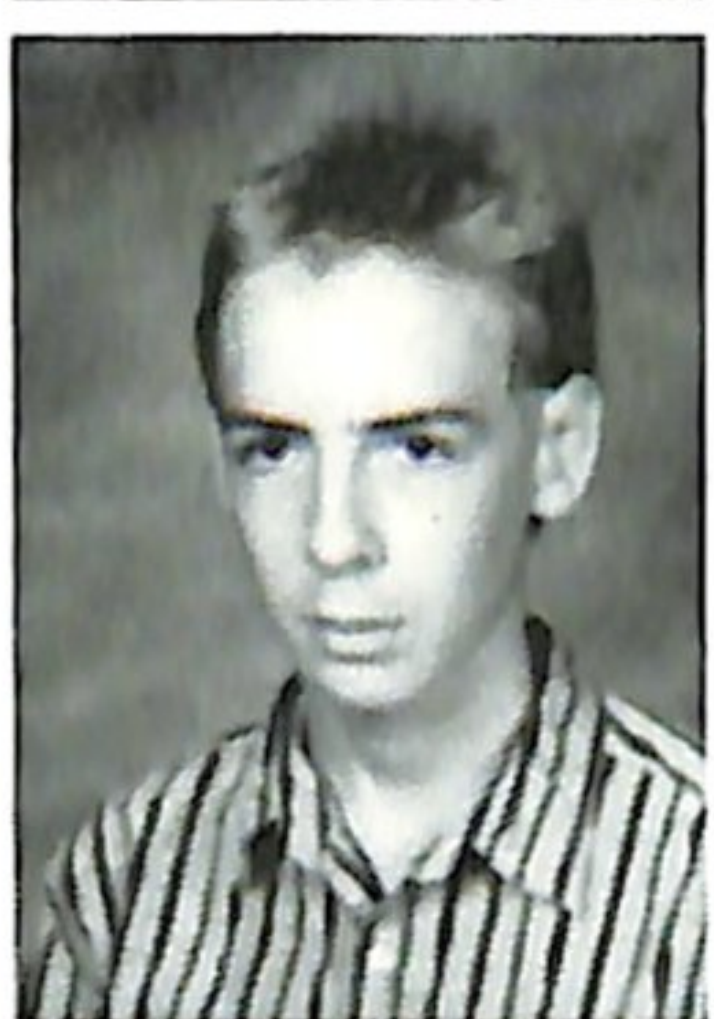
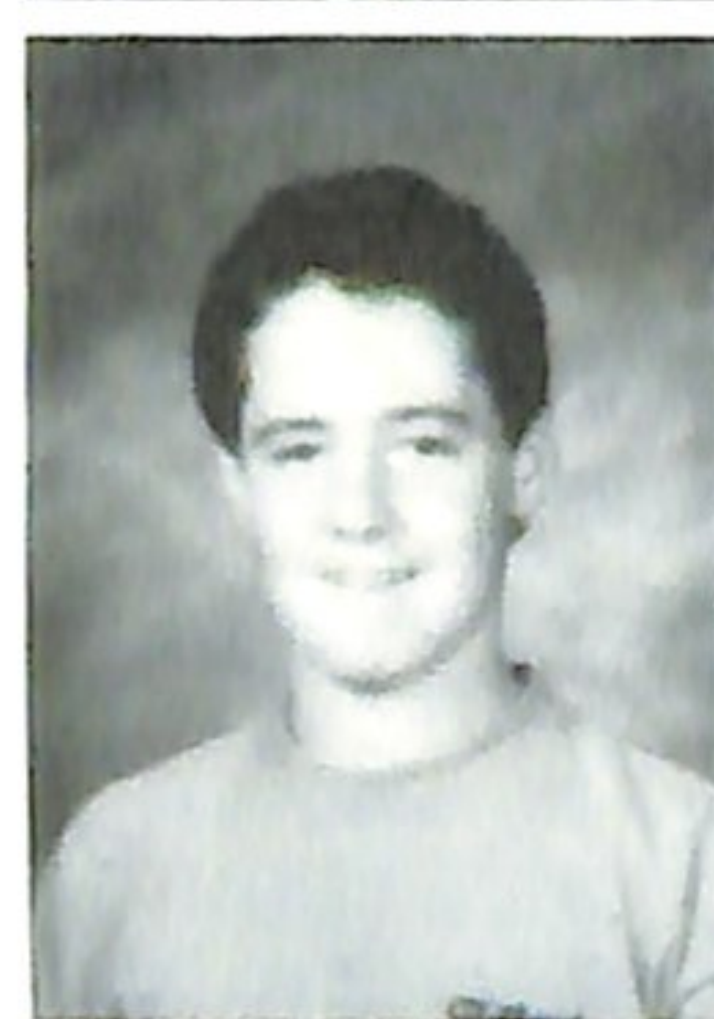
◆ Paula Thompson is in the Armijo Key Club. She helps the future by planting trees. "I feel like I am bringing a new life into our world by just planting a tree," she said. She enjoys doing things for other people and is an out-going person that cares about the future. Paula will always be involved in the ecology of our world because she feels strongly about the future of our planet.



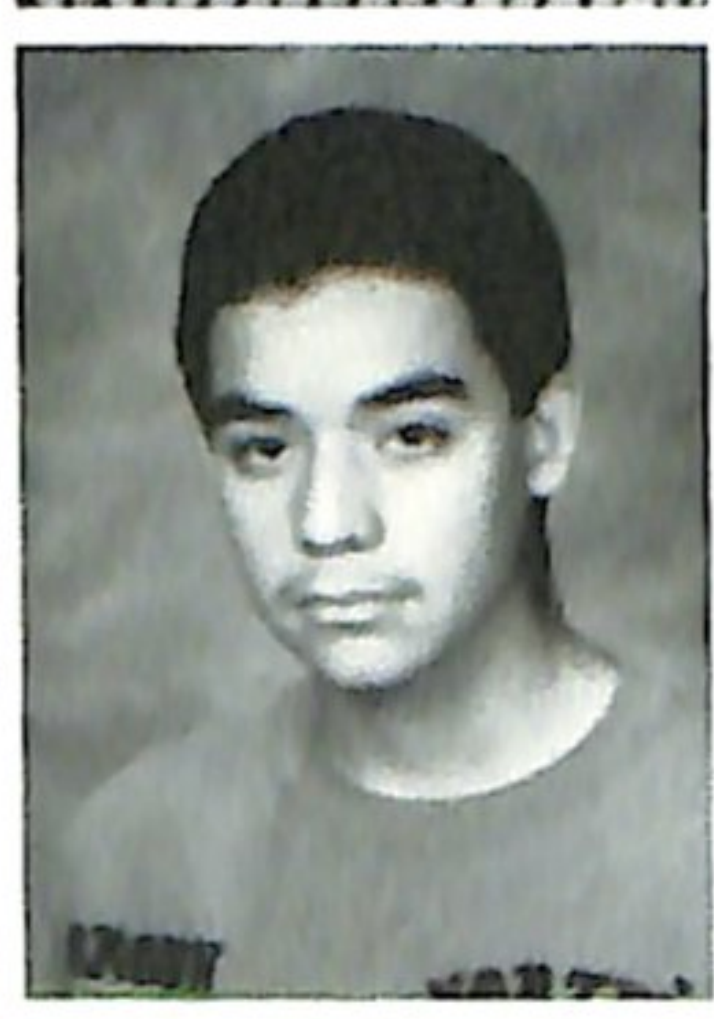
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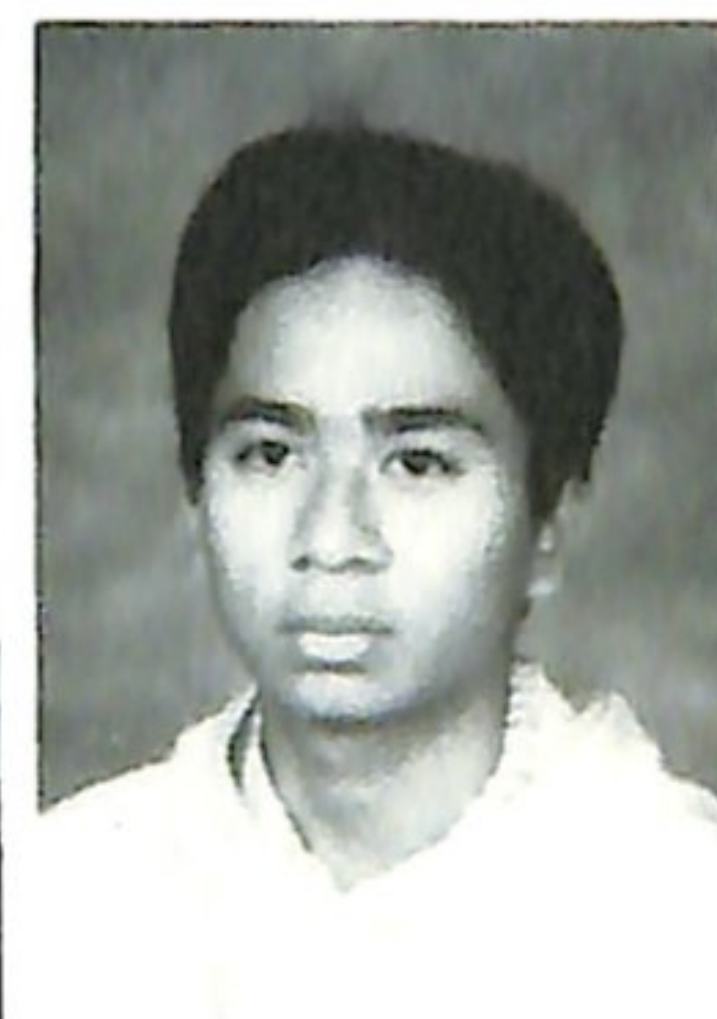
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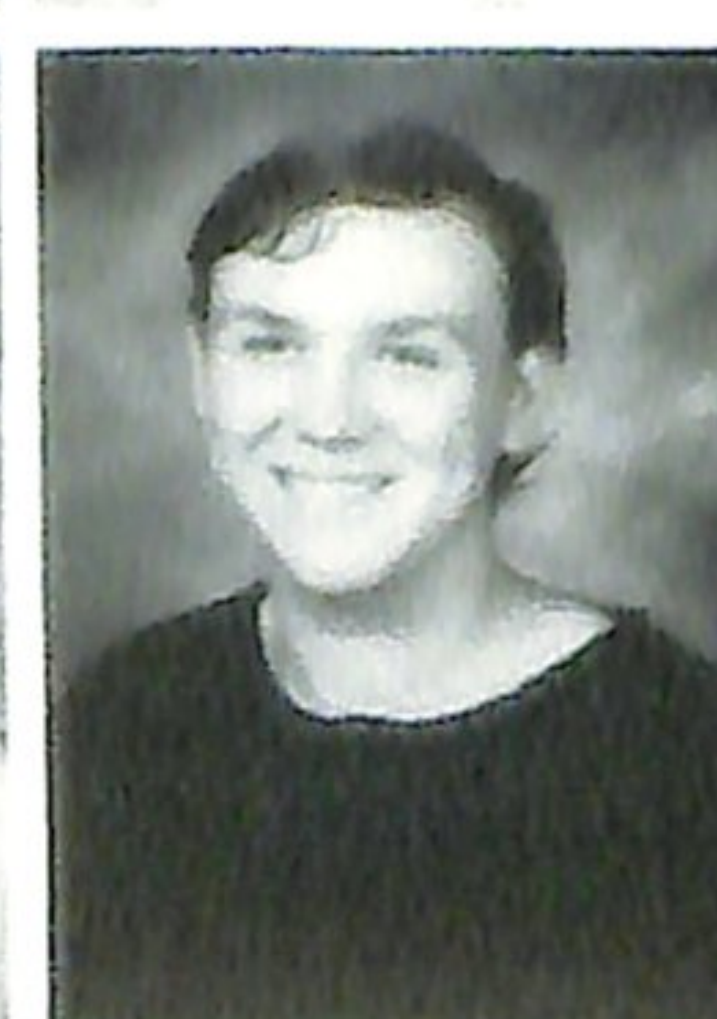
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Azucena, Mike
Bacom, Anthony
Bactad, Jerry
Bada, Dante
Bailey, Ursula
Baird, Jocelyn
Baker, Darcy



Ballamy, Cynthia
Balog, Bryan
Banks, Glenn
Barajas, Jenny
Barajas, Linda
Barboza, Joseph
Bardis, Louis
Barnett, Charlette





Up Close

Roberta Robbins participates in league bowling every Saturday morning. She has a 100 average and a 147 high game. Roberta said, "I like to bowl because when we have a tournament out of town, it gives us a chance to meet new people, and explore interesting places." There are tournaments all year round. The tournaments in the summer are for state championships. Roberta was the first runner-up in the Bowler of the Year Tournament. She has been bowling for three years at Fairfield Bowl. "One of the good things about this sport is that it is both a year round sport and indoors," Roberta said. Roberta loves to bowl and plans on becoming a professional bowler.

N Reading to Recreation OVEL INTRESTS

Many students have different hobbies, and others do interesting things. Some enjoy looking at stars in the sky or sitting in bed, reading a book. Whatever they do, they have fun doing it. Junior Pat Chilson said, "I like to skydive and bungi-jump out of hot air balloons." Pat loves doing dangerous stunts. "It may be crazy, but I really enjoy it."

While some like to cheat death, others like to keep their feet on the ground. According to Sophomore Lauren Twitty, "In my spare time I enjoy playing tennis, jogging, and shopping too."

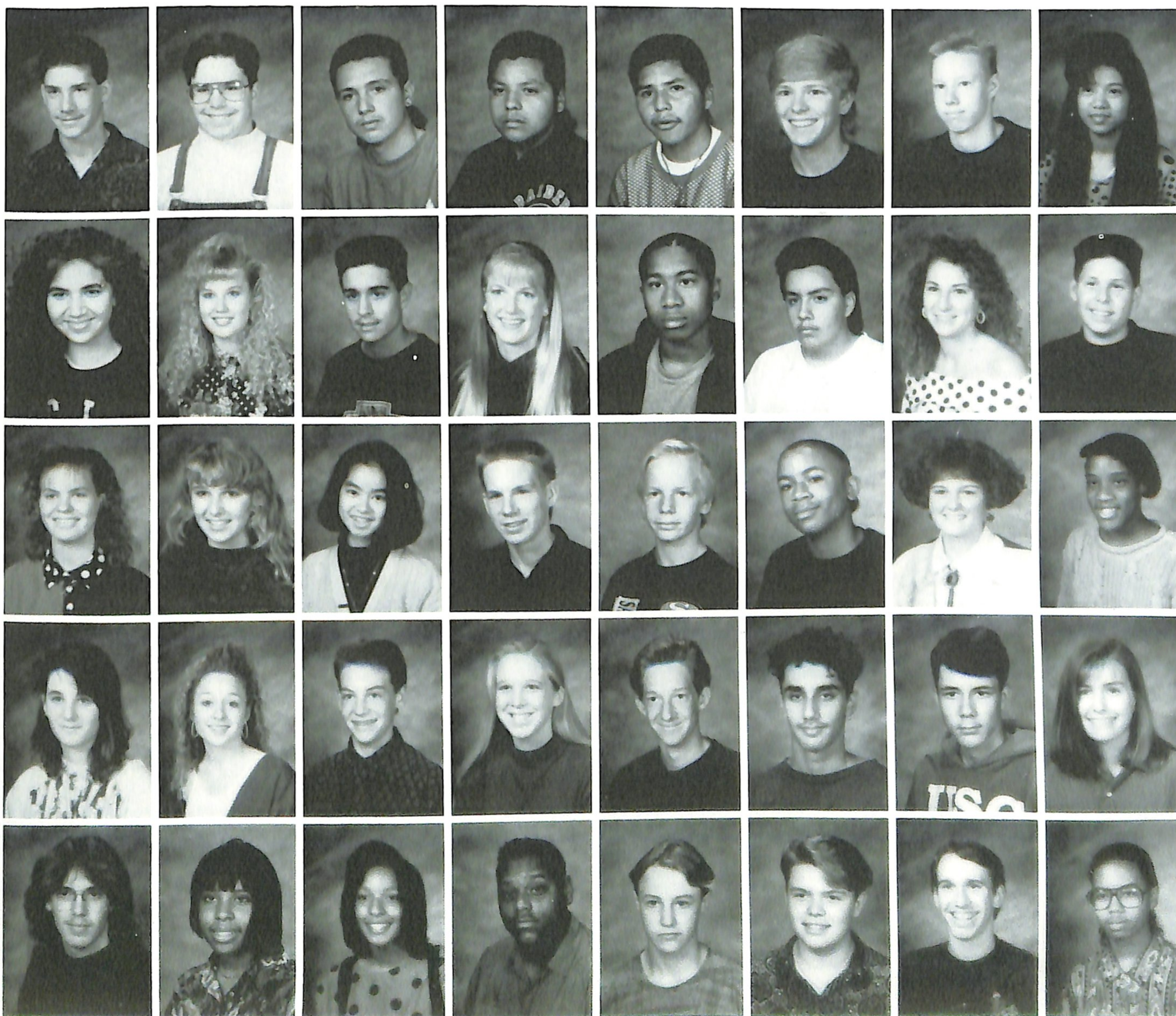
Sophomore Chris Price said, "Drawing and being creative keeps me busy in my spare time. It also helps to relax me." He would like to be a creative artist when he gets older. "When you draw or write creatively, you let out your inner thoughts and feelings."

Others enjoy doing things in groups or pairs. Noel Senoran and Justin Lopez are two juniors who like to lift weights and wrestle together. "It is better to do sports with someone else so that they can spot you and you don't get hurt," said Noel.

Junior Judith Robertson helps the community at least once a week. "Usually I go on Wednesdays and I either read or talk to the senior citizens. They love to listen to me, just as I love to listen to them."

Carrie Cannon, sophomore, is involved in a church activity called freestyling. "The teens in our group get together and talk about the problems we face," she said. The group gets together at least two to three times a week.

While many people were out having fun, Senior Maisha Helms was at home getting ready for the real world. "For now, my life consists of studying, eating, and sleeping. However, it's worth it because soon that day will come when I say good-bye to high school and hello to college!"



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Barstow, Shawn
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Bastida, Hilario
Bastida, Miguel
Baum, Christofer
Baumgarten, Matt
Bautista, Marlyn

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Beasley, Jennifer
Behm, Mark
Bell, Megan
Bell, Kevin
Beltran, Eric
Bentley, Adrienne
Berens, Jason

Billeci, Shanna
Birchall, Wendy
Blancaflor, Irene
Blazer, Scott
Blizzard, William
Bodiford, Andre
Bond, Claire
Bonnard, LaVonda

Bosworth, Karen
Bottom, Teresa
Boyce, Devin
Boyd, Laury
Bradshaw, Jason A.
Brar, Amandip
Brewer, Brad
Briggs, Barbie

Brown, Aaron
Brown, Brandi
Brown, Franziska
Brown, Maurice
Bryant, John
Bullard, Ivan
Burchett, Stephen
Butler, David

MELODRAMA MADNESS

Hooked On Soaps



Up
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Like love notes through the classroom . . . so are the days of our lives. Really, with all the lies, love triangles, anger, deception, and drama students experience at school, who really needs soap opera? Still, there was that group of kids that just couldn't get enough. These people who would sprint home, if they had to, in order to catch their favorite soap are hopelessly addicted to soap operas.

Sophomore Mercy Pacheco watches soap operas and had just one complaint, "I wish that my soaps (All My Children and Santa Barbara) would be on a little later in the day."

Surprise, Surprise! For all those who had stereotyped soaps as strictly a woman's addiction, think again. Liberated Matt Wagar is a soap opera junkie. "I used to go to my friend Brandi's house and she'd be watching 'Days of Our Lives', I sat down in front of the T.V. and I just got hooked." Matt also told a bad but true fact about soaps. "I liked them a lot, but if you miss a week of your show, you're completely lost."

Freshman Michele Capalety voiced her opinion about soap operas, "I think soap operas are a way for people to live out fantasies and even though they are time consuming, they can be fun and interesting."

Other stereotypes had been created about soaps and this may be why soaps are mostly viewed by females. Several think that soaps are just a constant exchange of bodily fluids between men and women.

"That stereotype couldn't be more wrong," commented Amy Caulfield, "Soaps are as dramatic as they are romantic."

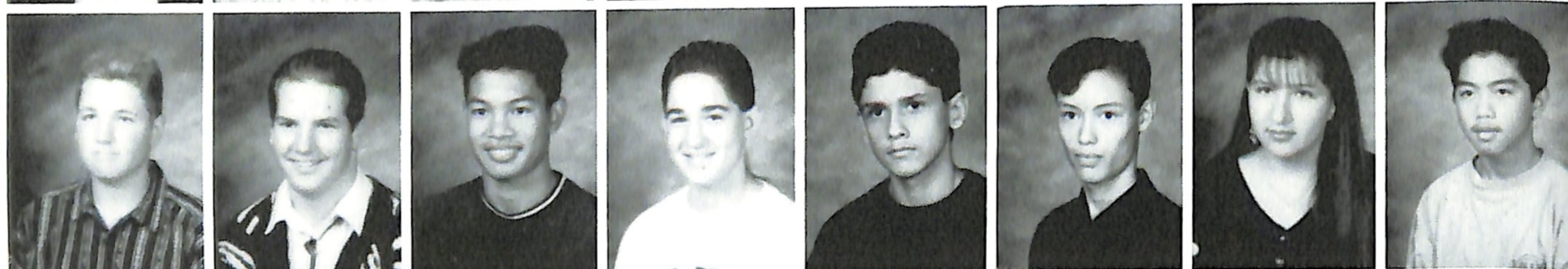
Although soap operas can be very addictive it is a rather safe habit. Girls may become more paranoid about their boyfriends loyalty, but that's about it. So if you want to have a clean habit, take a brake and watch a "soap", see if you don't get hooked!

Afflicted with the common disease of soap operas addiction, Sophomore Cristen Recknagel watches them regularly. About this pastime, Cristen says, "I like the drama. There is always something new going on everyday. Soap operas take me away from the boring ho-hum of life for an hour." When there isn't time to watch them, she can be found taping them on video cassette. One of the hardest things about soap operas is keeping up with the plot changes. For that reason, many people have a favorite show, such as Days of Our Lives.

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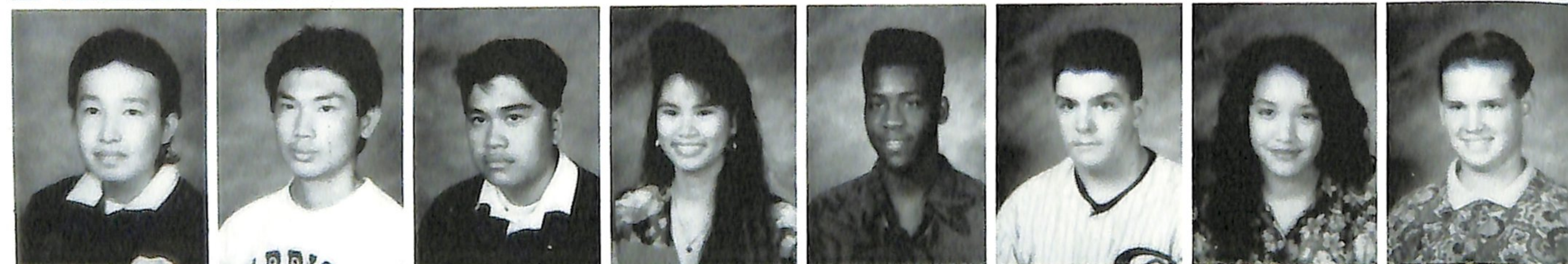
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Chambers, Daphaine
Cherry, Joseph
Choi, Sieliena



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Cinco, Aileen
Cladwell, Royal
Clark, Casey
Clark, Julianne
Clement, Tim



Coffee, Rodney
Cofran, Monique
Cole, Laura
Conhain, Troy
Contreras, Juan
Cooks, Jewel
Cooley, Jeremy
Cooper, Richard





♦ While hanging out in Eric Strecker's truck during lunch, Sunni Jergensen and friends talk about the latest episode of their favorite Soap Opera. Looking over at Eric, the group suddenly bursts out, "He looks just like that new guy on the show."

Soap Opera Bubbles

10% of all males surveyed watch soap operas

89% of all females surveyed watch soap operas

57% of the females surveyed watch Days of Our Lives

54% of the females surveyed watch All My Children

30% of the females surveyed watch One Life To Live

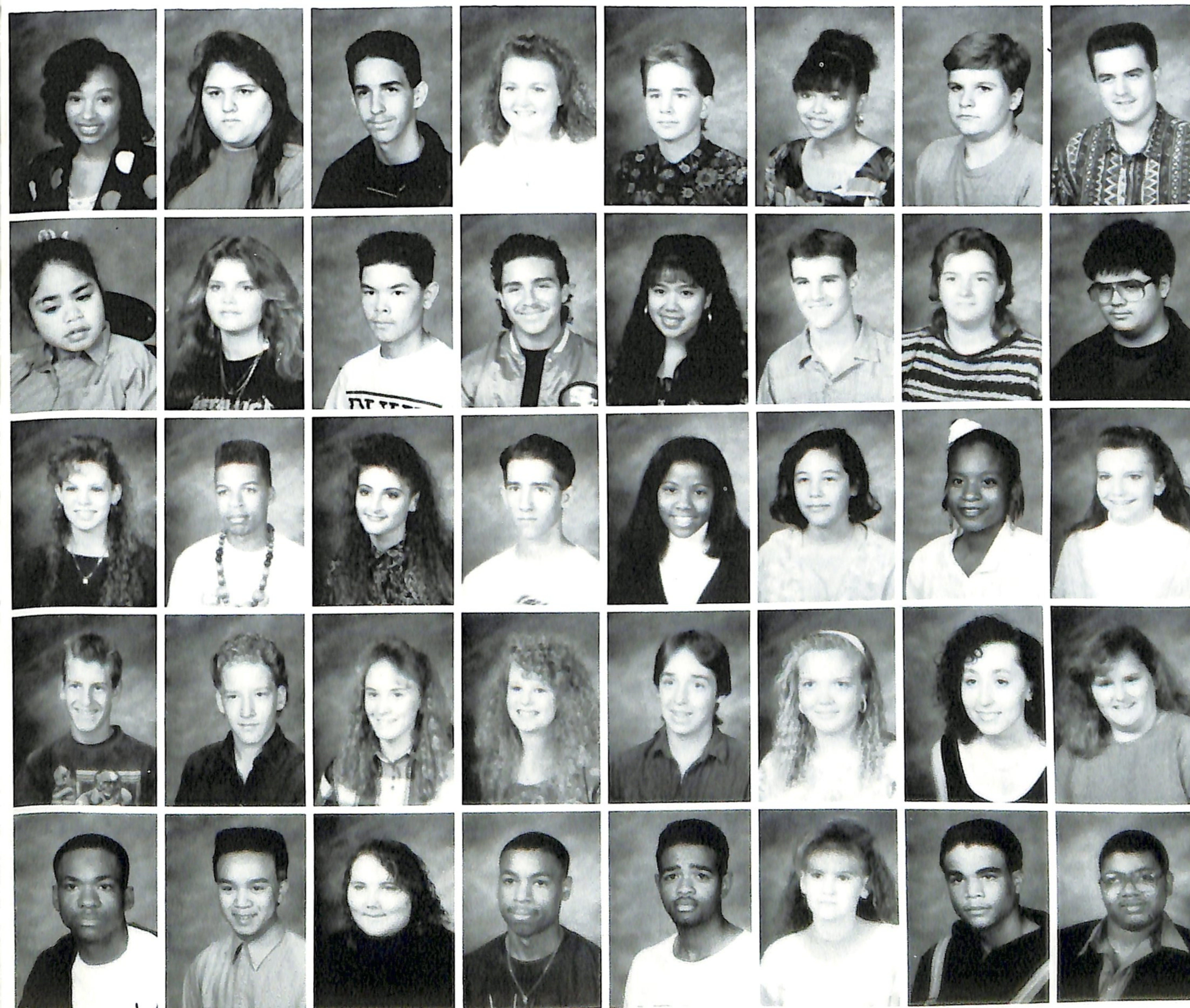
23% of the females surveyed watch General Hospital

07% of the females surveyed watch Young & The Restless

03% of the females surveyed watch Another World

03% of the females surveyed watch Loving

10% of the males surveyed watch All My Children



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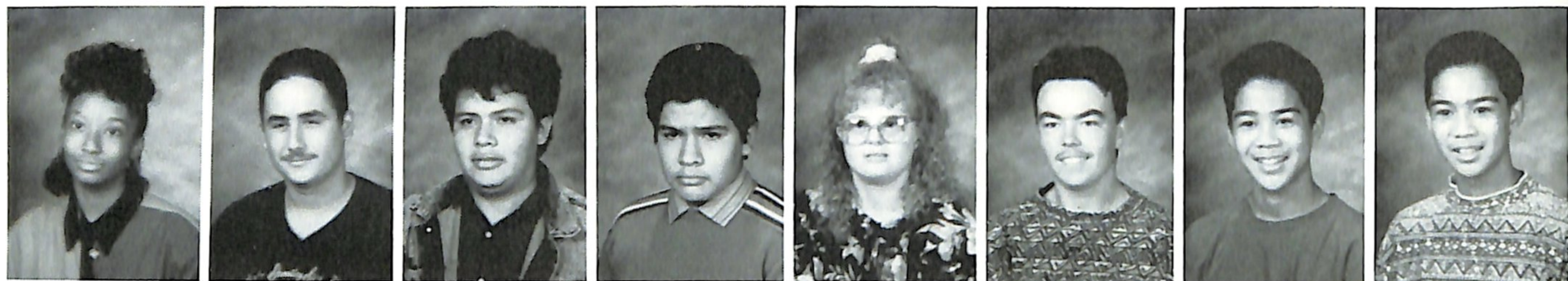
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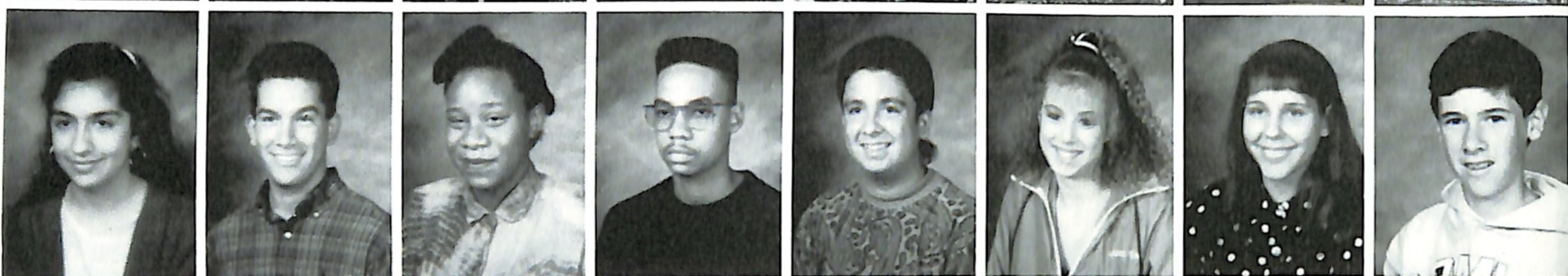
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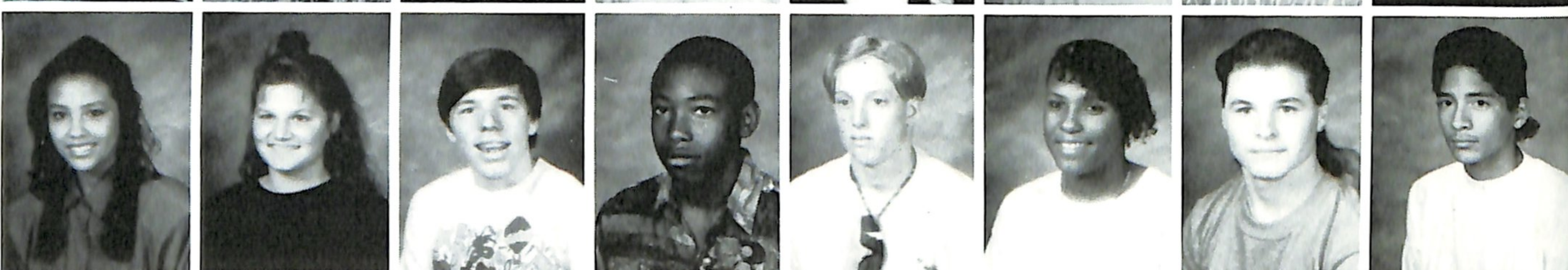
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Gaines, Niketa
Gallentine, Theo
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Garcia, Diocelina
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Giangrasso, Justin
Giannini, Paul



Gibson, Chayla
Giles, Robyn
Gillis, Andrew
Glass, Eric
Glosser, Daren
Glosson, Ladonna
Golden, Robert
Gomez, Ray



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*Up
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Everyone knows the sinking feeling when they cautiously opened their bedroom door because they knew what lay behind it. They fantasized about how clean their room should have looked and how proud their parents would have been until reality hit them and they found themselves standing in the middle of their rooms surrounded by piles of dirty clothes from 1989.

They looked around trying to decide where to start. They picked up a shirt and found last semester's term paper. They didn't even attempt to look under the bed or in the closet, knowing the horror. Kim Paler stated, "When I'm in a hurry, I don't like to have to fold or hang up my clothes. I usually just throw them in the closet. Unfortunately, my parents always check my closet before I leave to go anywhere."

Kristen Zandstra hated it when her parents found the place where she hid everything. "They always seemed to focus on my closet first."

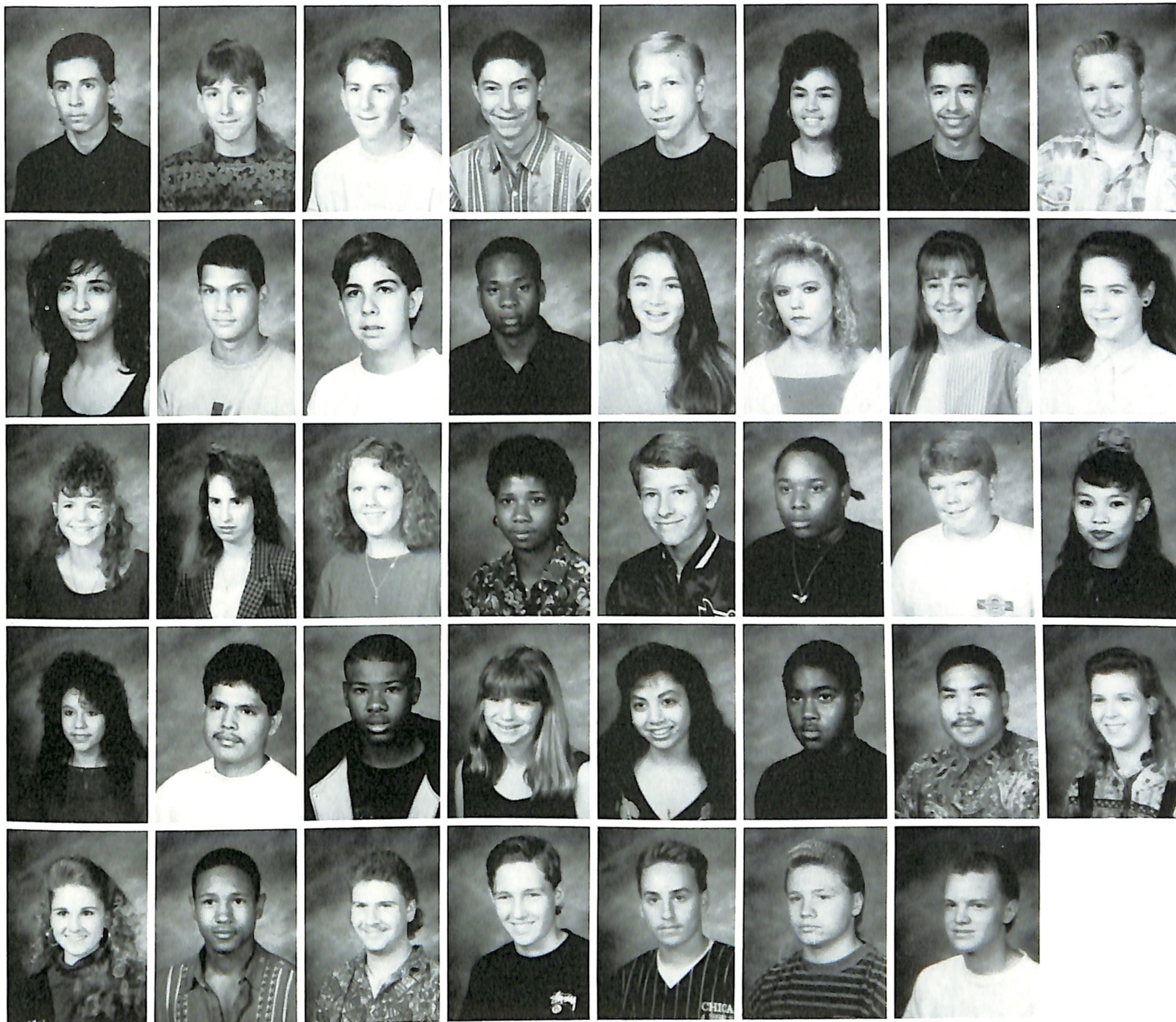
Junior Courtney Fell dreaded cleaning her room because "I sometimes can't even open my door to get in my room and clean it." Cleaning the room was something that we all needed to do. It was just something we all dreaded to do.

"I hate to take the time to clean my room. It takes too long," complained Karen Bourcier.

Termaine Tucker explained, "Cleaning my room is tiring and stressful."

No body likes to clean their room when it comes down to it, but hey, if you've got an hour on your hands and you want to make your parents extremely proud, throw on a pair of waders, some rubber gloves, and go where no man has gone before — at least without a vacuum cleaner.

"I don't consider myself a very organized person. I can't even open my bedroom door at times. I hate having to take the time to clean it. It would take hours. When I can't find something I usually hope and pray that the particular item isn't buried under everything in my room. Hopefully, in the future, I will be neater. I've been told that cleanliness shows character, but that's not all that true because almost everyone I know is as messy as me, but we all have character in my opinion," said Courtney Fell.



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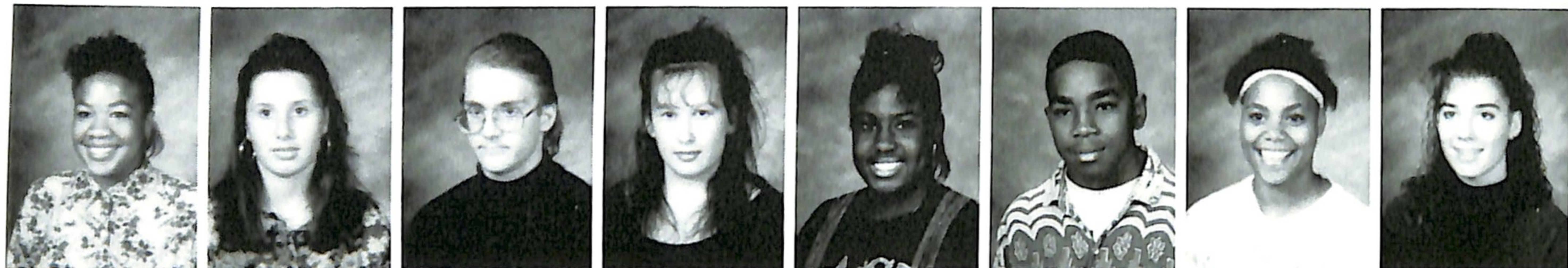
◆ Everyone should recognize such a horrid mess as this, especially our parents. No one person can say that their room is immaculate at all times. All parents probably have wished that their kids were clean and organized, but let's face it, we're only human.

◆ What to wear, what to wear? Stacey Beerman is trying to find the outfit of the day in what appears to be an unorganized mess. "It was either the jeans or the shorts. I really could not decide on what to wear. I had a hard time trying to find them too," said Stacey.

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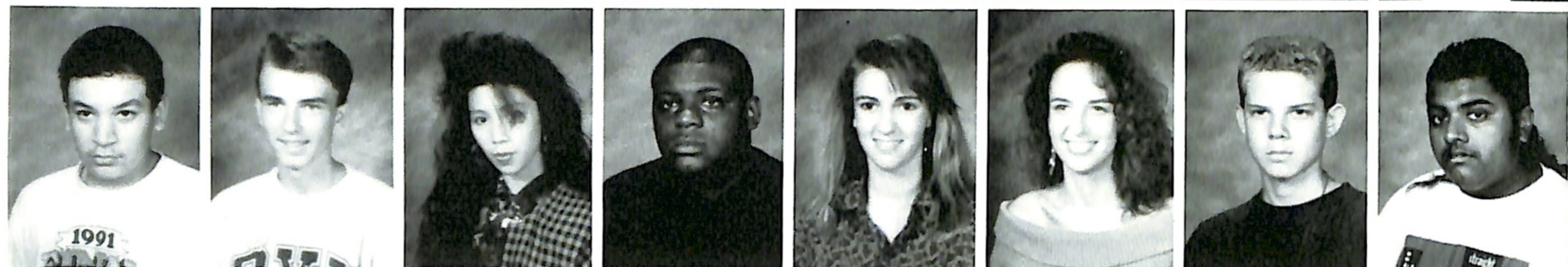
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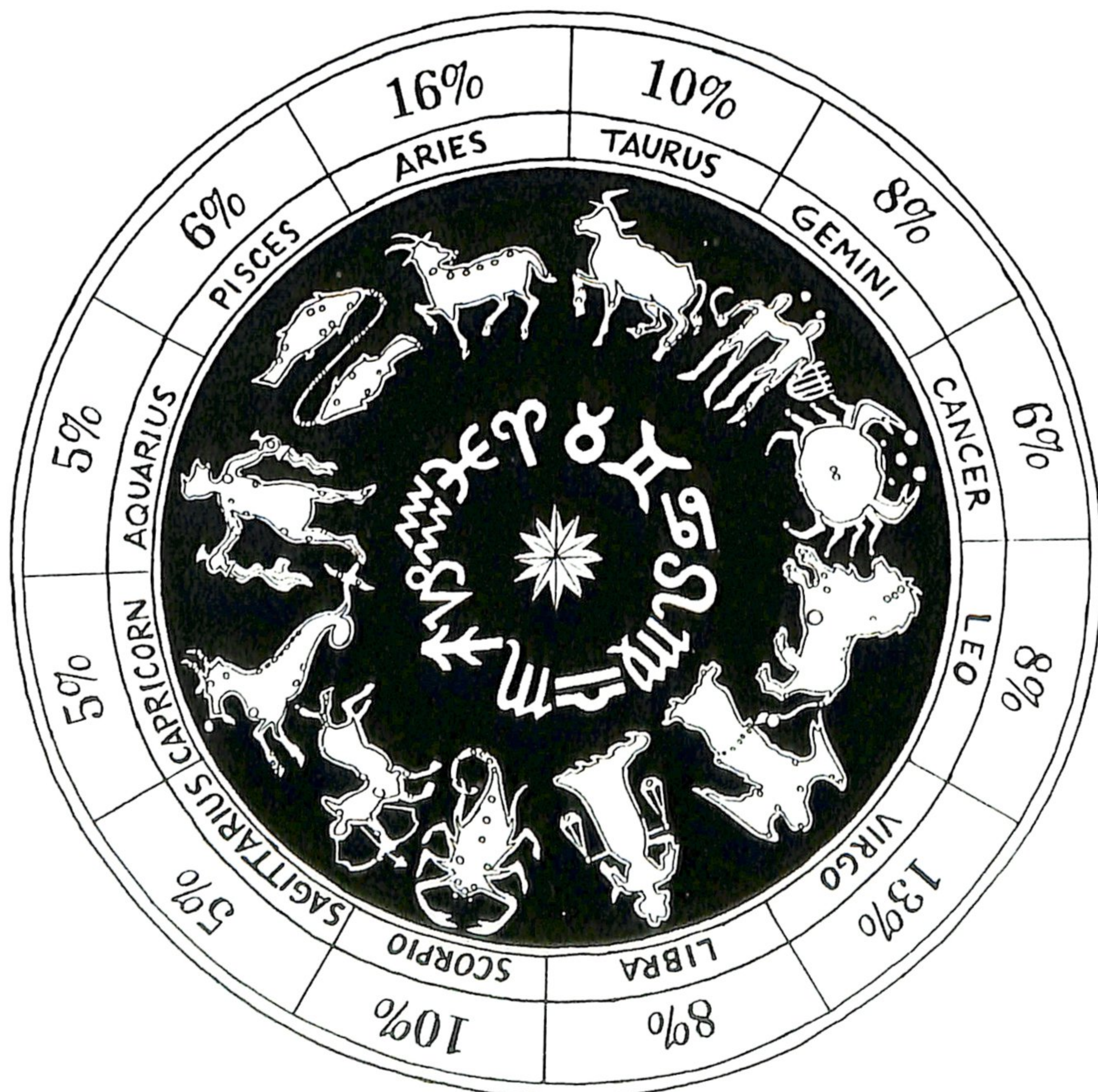


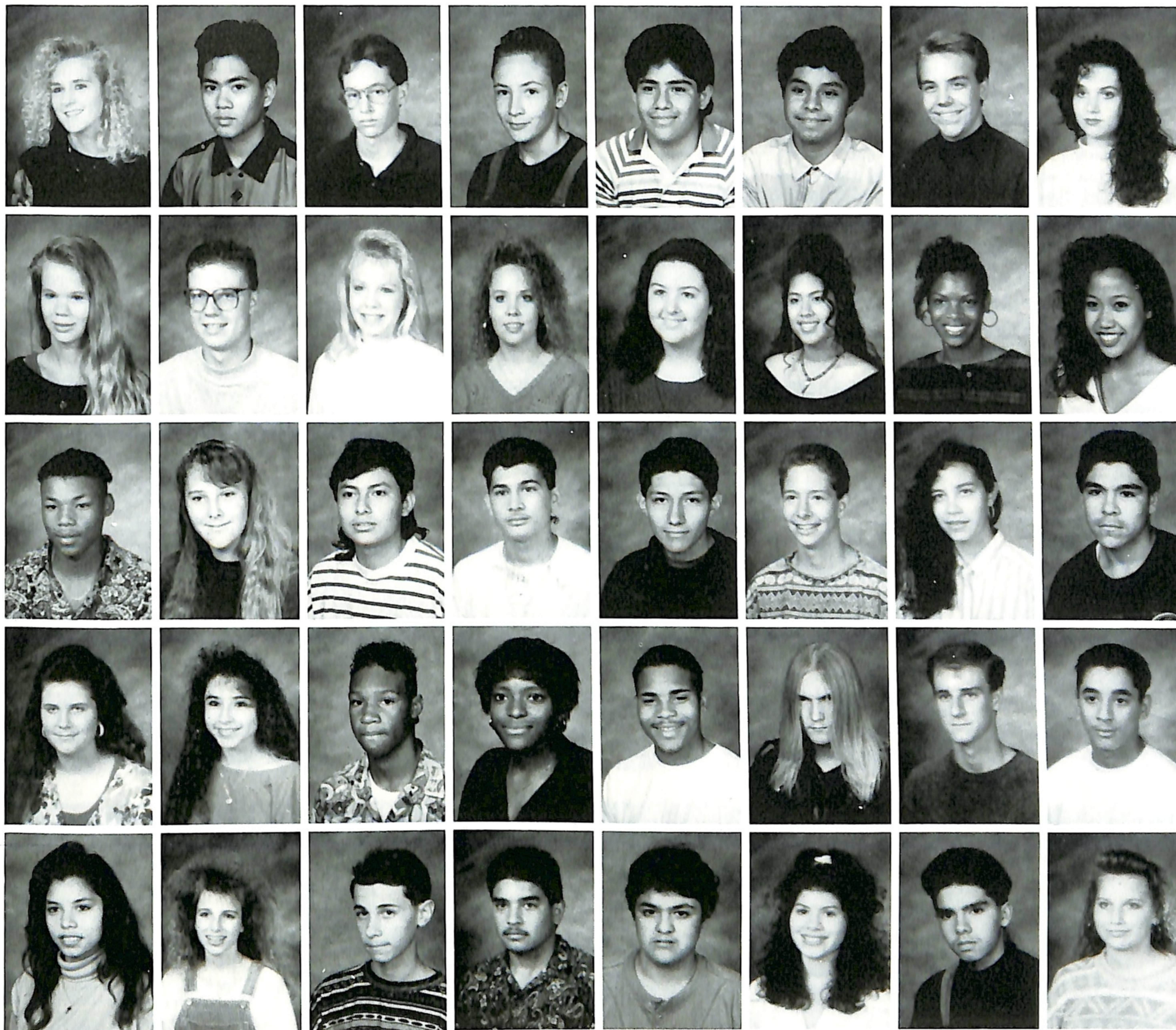
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◆ Jennifer Mirante took a peek at Chris Guzman's newspaper to see what lay ahead in her future. "I find horoscopes quite interesting," said Jennifer. Chris added, "Horoscopes just don't work for me."

◆ A survey of students was conducted to find the most common astrological sign. To the right are the results of the students surveyed. The most common sign was Aries, representing 16%. Aquarius, Sagittarius, and Capricorn represented a mere 5%.





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Mata, Ponciano

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McKinley, Nelson

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Do Signs Tell The Futures? DESTINY IN THE STARS

When people think of astrology they think about the moon, the planets, and the stars. However, those are in the realm of astronomy. Astrology is the study professing to foretell the future and interpret the influence of the heavenly bodies.

The zodiac is a zone in the heavens that is divided into twelve constellations or signs each taken for astrological purposes. Each sign of the zodiac has a special meaning and describes one's personality traits. Aries, for instance, is active, ambitious, and valiant. Taurus is practical and affectionate. Gemini is dynamic and ingenious. Cancer might be emotional and domestic. Leo is characteristically sociable and creative. Virgo is a perfectionist and very generous, while on the other hand Libra is diplomatic and reasonable. Scorpio is perceptive and energetic. Sagittarius might be independent and impulsive. Capricorn is ambitious and conservative. Aquarius is honest, intellectual, and imaginative. Last, but not least, Pisces is artistic and affectionate.

The first men who ever studied the stars in the heavens believed the stars were Gods. According to astrologers, a person's entire life is controlled or influenced by the positions of the stars at the moment he or she is born. Since medieval times the astrologer has divided the zodiac into twelve regions. The first is Aries, or the house of life. The others are, in order, the houses of riches, brethren, parents, children, health, marriage, death, religion, dignities, friends, and enemies.

There are many people who believe in horoscopes and there are some who do not. "Horoscopes are interesting to read, but I really don't believe in them," said Sophomore Serena Macleay. Heather Marshall added, "I just read them because they are fun to read."

Horoscopes determine the course of your life through astrology. Whether or not your destiny is written in the stars is for you to decide.



Up Close

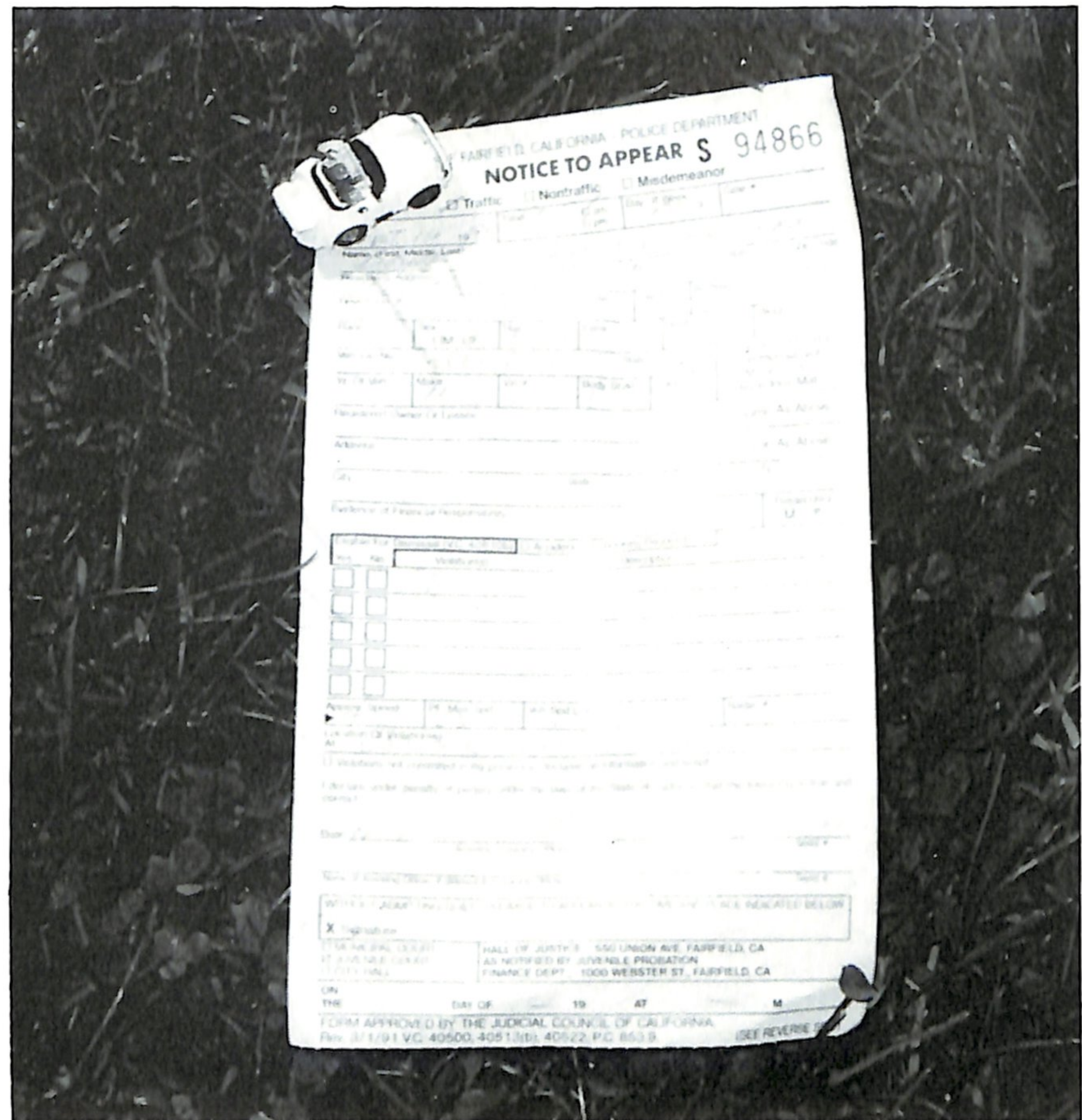
Many people read horoscopes, some people believe in them and use them to predict their futures, while other people find them amusing to read without giving them any credence.

Sophomore Serena Macleay is a prime example of a horoscope reader. She doesn't believe in them, but she finds them quite amusing. "I laugh when something that I read happens to me," said Serena. "Most of the things that are said have no bearing on my life, but it's always funny when something I read in the horoscope corresponds with my life," added Serena. She's an Aries and reads her horoscope in the local newspaper.

➤ Officer John Duggan, our campus police officer, stands by his car on a bright, sunny day making sure traffic problems are contained. Officer Duggan said, "I enforce the traffic around school to the necessary extent, but I take good excuses into consideration."



➤ Almost everyone knows someone who has gotten a ticket if they have not received a ticket themselves. Dana Kromm was ticketed for going 40 m.p.h. in a 25 m.p.h. zone. Not even Dana could escape getting a ticket.



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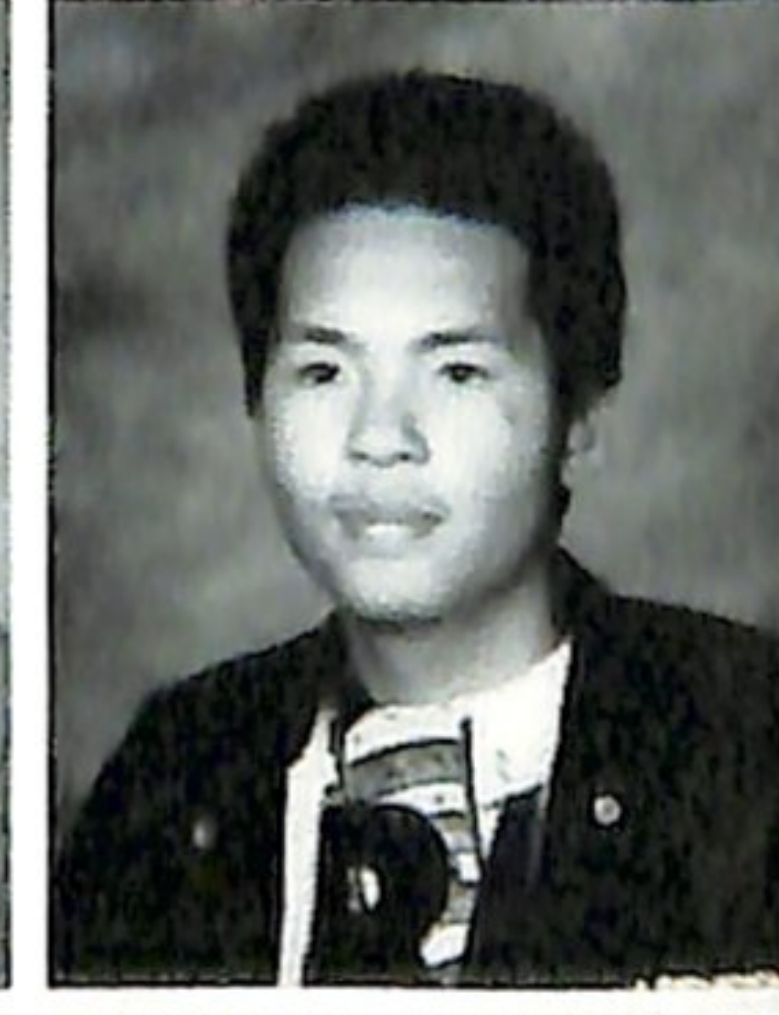
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Up Close

Lamar Hand claims that approximately 10% of his friends have gotten speeding tickets. While he has been lucky enough not to receive one yet, he empathizes with his friends. Getting speeding tickets is a common phenomenon and Lamar's friends are typical of most teenagers. Teenagers seem to be a high ticket risk group. Teenagers also have the least amount of available funds to help them pay for fines. Only the very few cautious teenage drivers escape the experience of the speeding ticket.

W OES OF SPEEDING TICKETS

At sixteen, people can get their driver's license. Almost immediately after acquiring that little piece of cardboard, the accumulation of tickets begins. Of traffic tickets, parking tickets, and speeding tickets. Speeding tickets are by far the most common.

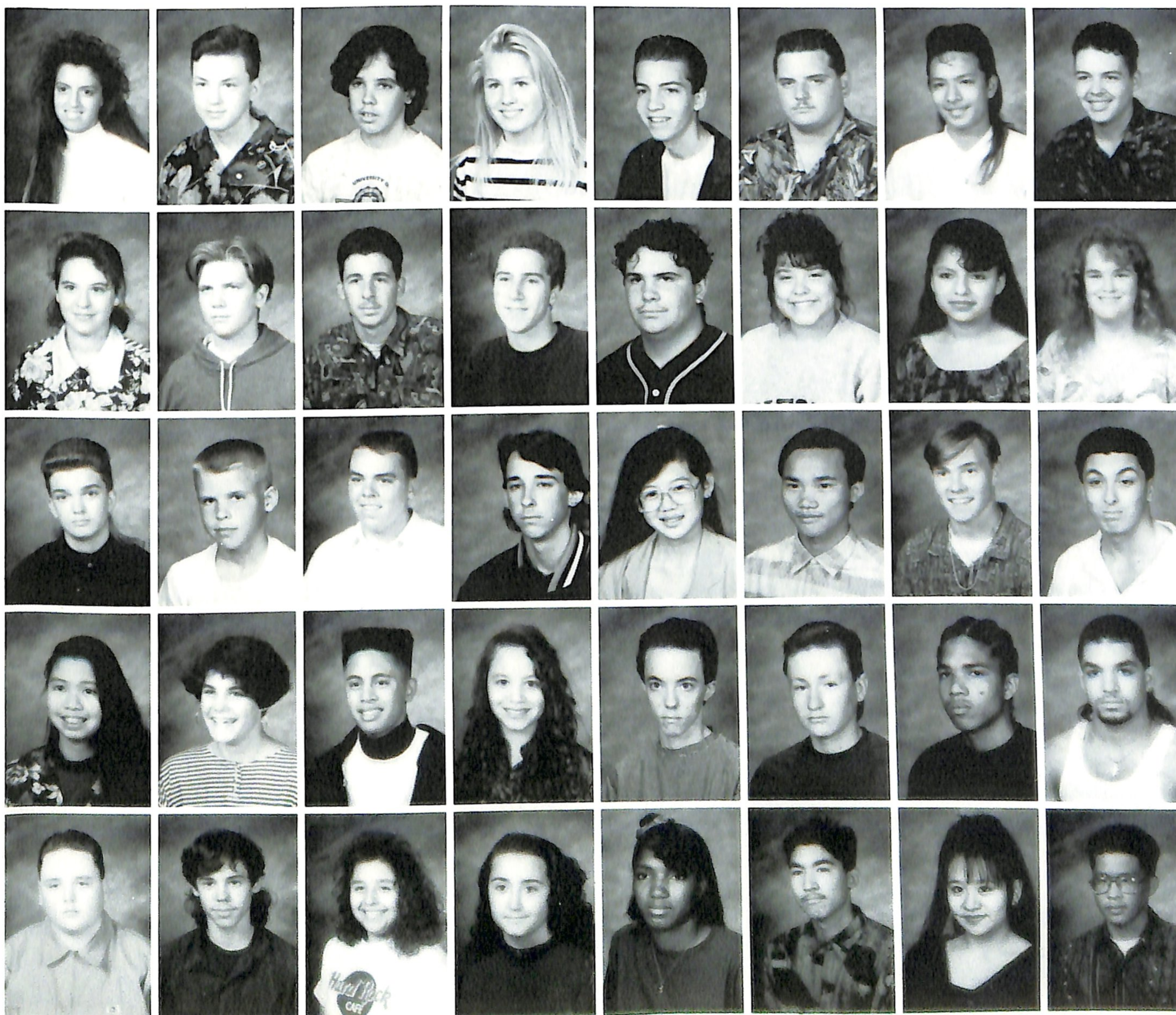
Almost all teenagers speed. Why? There are three basic reasons: 1) They love the feel of the wind rushing through their hair, 2) The word "speed limit" does not exist in their vocabulary, 3) Lateness forces them to speed to the place they were supposed to have arrived at twenty minutes ago.

Unfortunately, speeding commonly results in tickets. Most people dislike tickets, especially if they have received one themselves. Besides disliking the tickets, many people feel that they do not always work as a punishment for speeders. Xuan Trong said, "Sometimes speeding tickets are given unfairly because sometimes you are the only one who ends up getting a ticket out of a group of speeders." Others like Bonnie Regan, think that, "sometimes negative reinforcement is the only way to go."

Tickets seem to be around to stay. Police officers will probably be flashing their blue lights at speeders until the end of time because people will always speed. Rodney Moy said, "Even if the speed limit was raised, people would still exceed that limit."

A major effect of tickets was the disappearance of once existing money. There are some helpful tips that people may take to put an end to their speeding problems and keep their money in their pockets. They are: 1) Go slower, 2) Get a friend to drive you so they get the speeding ticket rather than you, 3) Ride a bike or walk. Solution number one seems the most reasonable, if unlikely, choice. Perhaps one day people will actually try it.

While tickets may not be fun, they can, in some ways, be worth experiencing. One can make contact with the friendly neighborhood police officer. One can also take a fun and productive trip to the halls of justice while clearing tickets from your record.



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DATING THE INEXPENSIVE WAY

Going Out With No Money!

Places To Go:

Who says you need money to buy happiness? A picnic in the park just might be the perfect date. Everything depends on the person and not necessarily how much money is spent.

Ms. Susan Durney recalls a date when she was 19 years old, traveling in Paris. "I met a singing waiter in a French restaurant named Christian. He asked me to go out with him after work, and I agreed. As we walked around I soon found out he had no money. He took me to places where he knew the waiters so we could slip through the back door. We drank champagne that the customers had bought and not finished. Then he borrowed money from a friend to buy me some violets. It was the most romantic date I ever had."

People have found a way to solve the problem of going on a date with a limited budget. In today's liberated society it's common to see a woman pull out her wallet at the counter to contribute to the expensive bill. This particular type of date is called "Dutch" style, when the man pays for half of the bill and the woman pays the other half. "I don't really enjoy the girl paying for half of the date, but if she really wants to she can pay as long as she doesn't pay for more than half," said Shawn Christianson.

Unfortunately for Susan Segala she experienced a cheap date. She said, "He made me pay for everything. When I said I'd help pay I didn't mean I'd pay for the movie tickets and the food. I dumped him the next day."

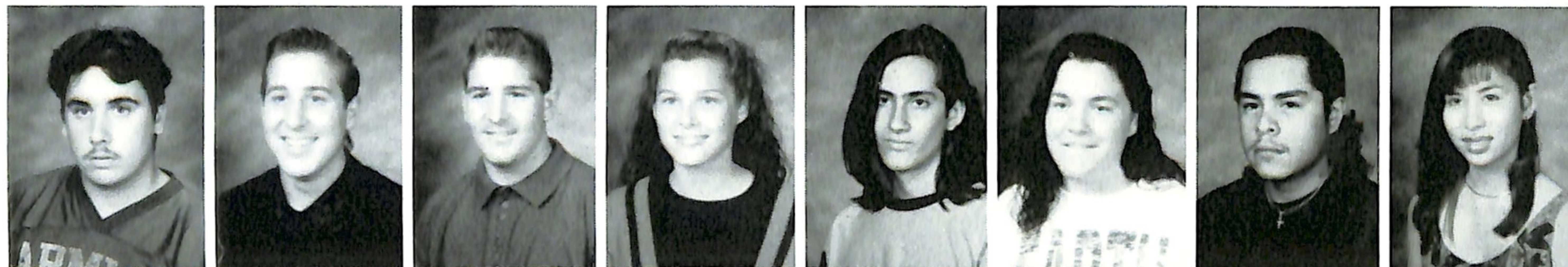
It would be nice to have money to go out, but a lot of money is not essential to have a good time. All it takes is two understanding people that know how to make do with what they have.

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McDonald's
Rent Movies
Arcade
Picnic
Mall
Beach
Lake
Grizzly Island
Twin Sisters
Evening ride
Play Nintendo at home
Out for a walk
Park
Scandia
Bike ride
Pizza place
Bowling
Roller skating
Matinee movie
Make dinner for him or her

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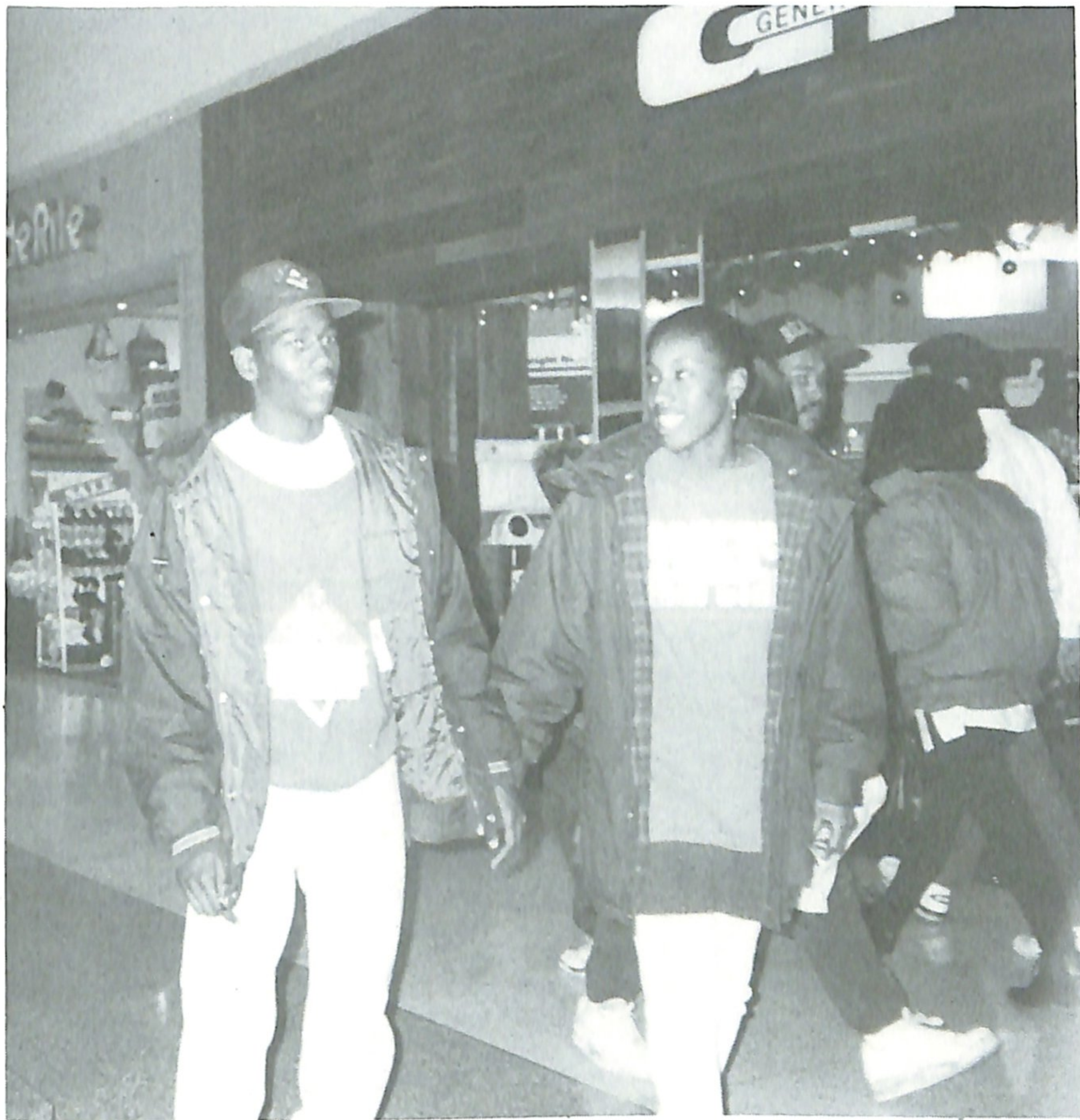


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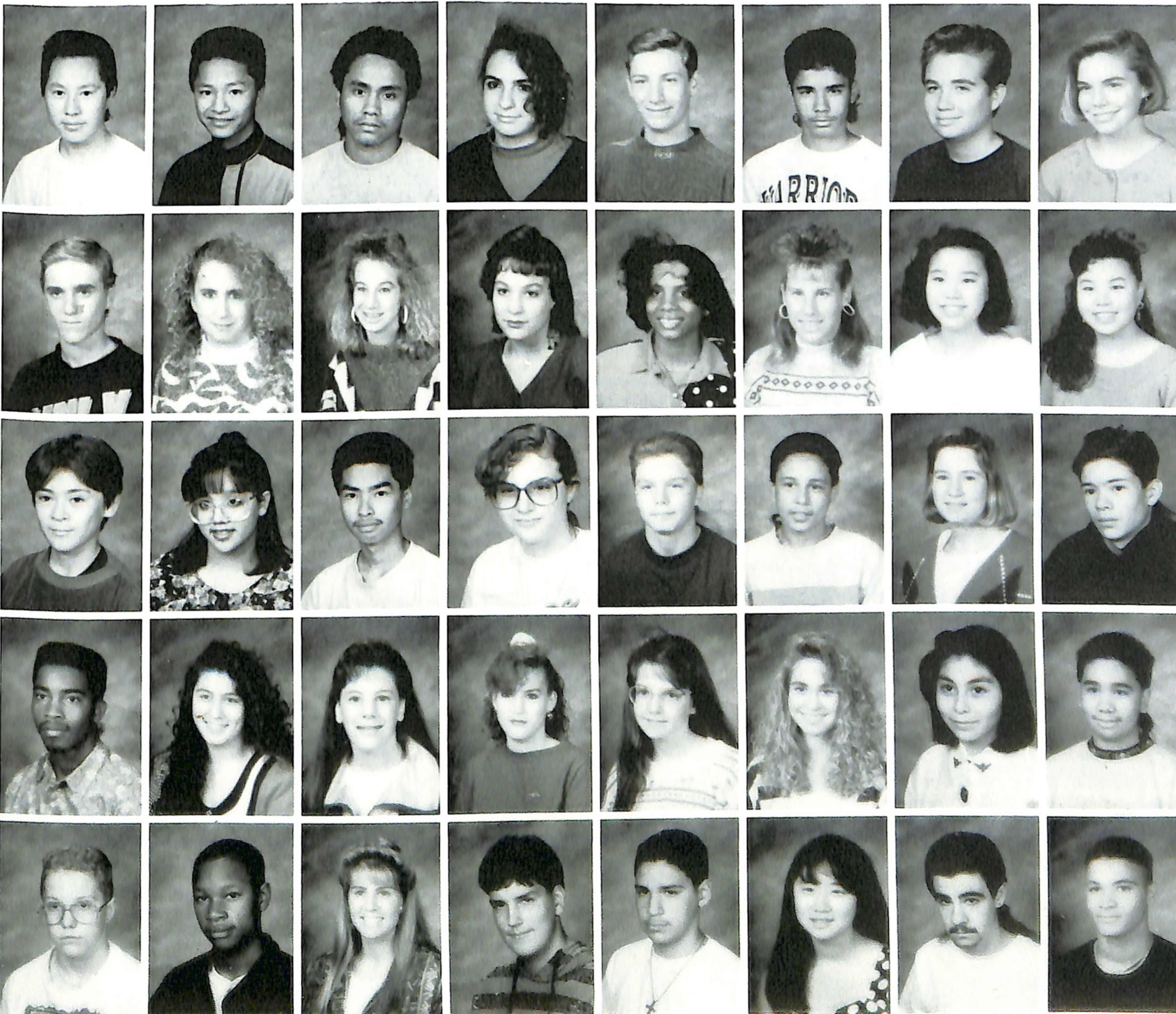
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◆ Desiree Wilson and Andre Covington walk around the mall looking at various items that could be prospective purchases. "It really doesn't matter to me where we go, as long as I'm with Andre," said Desiree Wilson.

♥ Becky Canaday and Chad Foltz hang out at the park swinging on the swingset. Most teenagers are under the misconception that they need to spend money to have a good time. Becky Canaday says, "I don't think you need a lot of money to go on a fun date, you just have to use your imagination."



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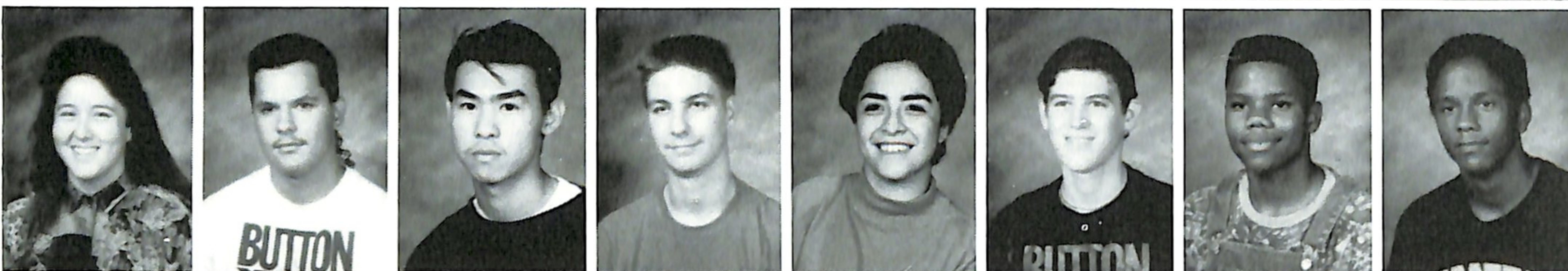
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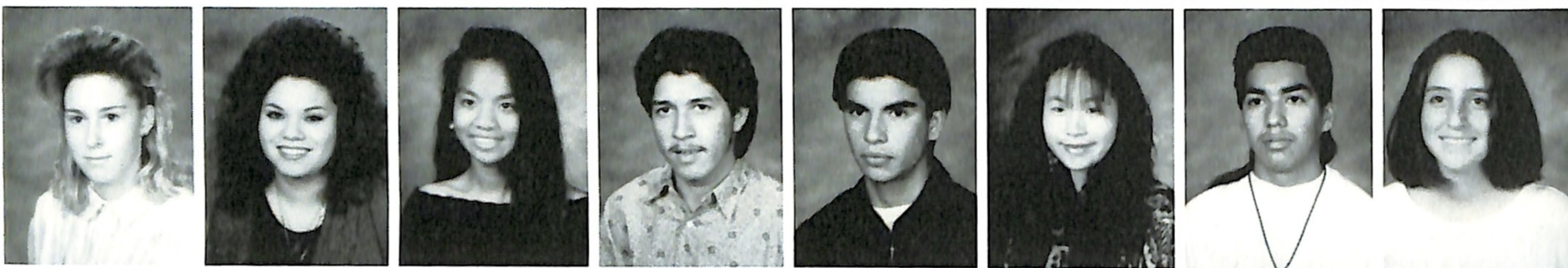
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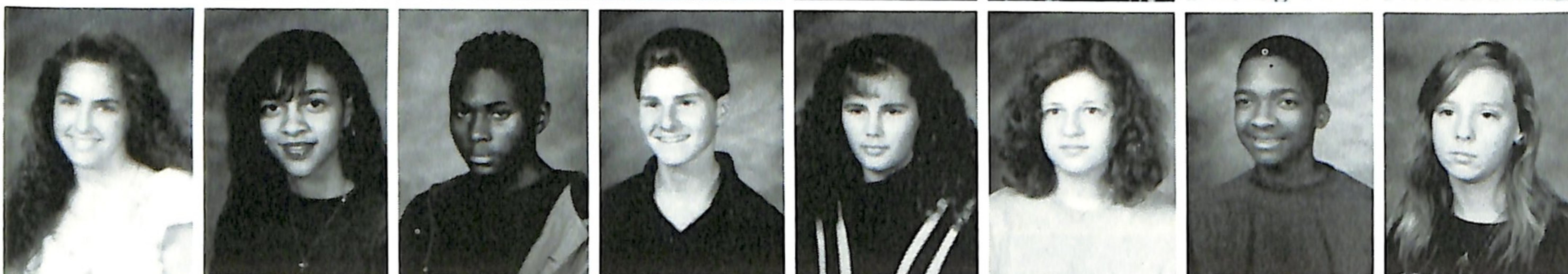
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F There When You Need Them S

RIENDS IN ALL PLACES



*Up
Close*

Everyone goes through ups and downs at different phases of their lives and although several things are gained and lost through all these phases, one thing remains consistant - friends. They pick you up when you're down and help you live it up when times are high. Friends don't care if your socks don't match or if your wallet is empty. Friends are just about the only thing you can rely on in this crazy world. "Friends are people you can confide in. They are always there for you when times are rough," said Lauren Twitty.

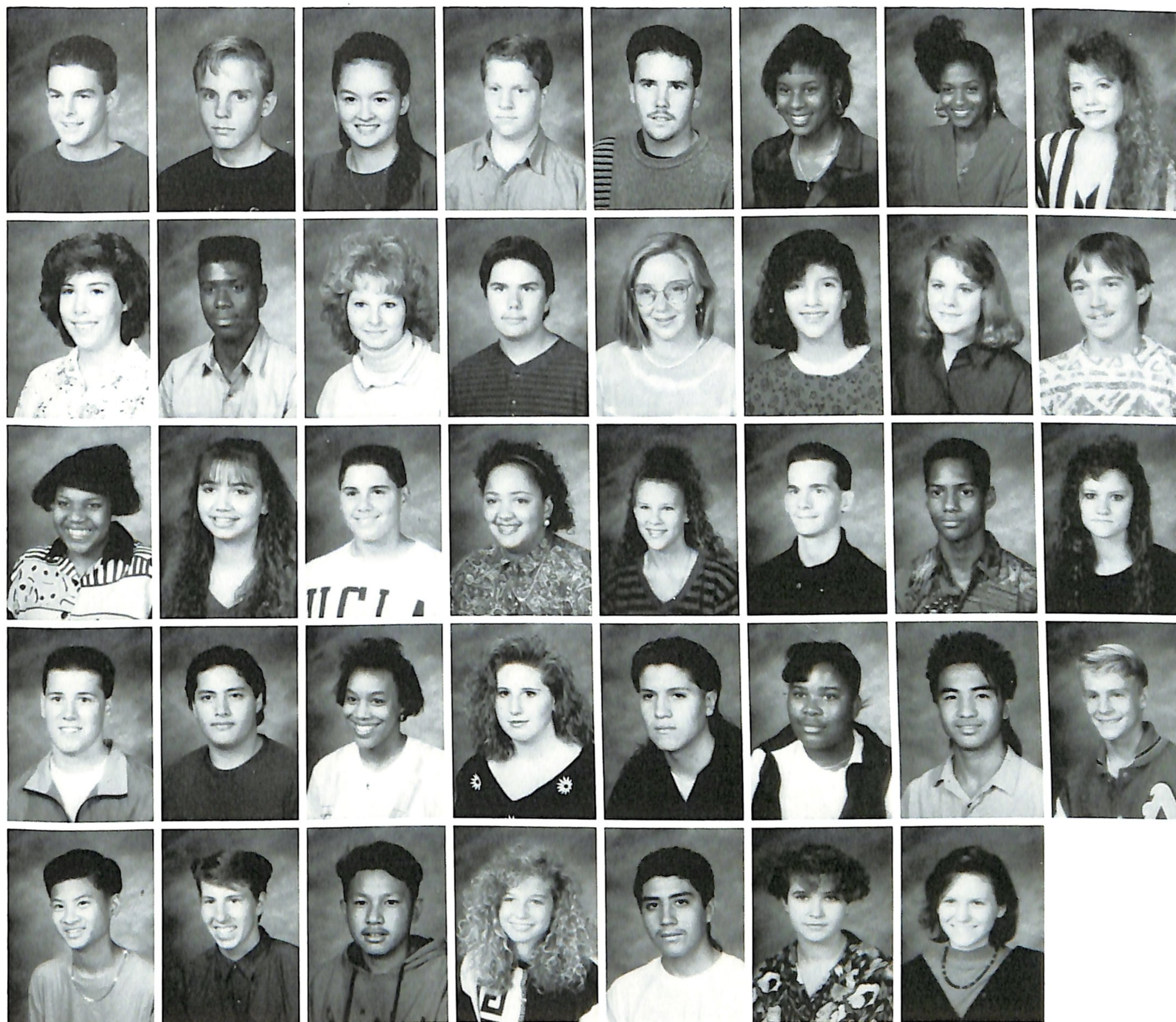
Through the rain, friends are still there. A person with friends can always look up into the storm and see a colorful umbrella there to protect and comfort them. Sophomore Chris Price commented, "Friends are people who stick with you no matter what happens."

Friends provide understanding and keep you smiling. Practical jokes and friendship go hand in hand. "If you can't laugh at your friends, who can you laugh at?" commented Sophomore Jocelyn Baird.

A good sense of humor is essential for any friendship. "Joking around with friends is the best part of a friendship," added Bobby Eddings.

Later, teenagers make new friends as they enter adulthood. Promises are given around graduation time. "Yeah, let's do something over the summer." "Let's do lunch." Some high school friendships aren't enough to survive the post high school life. "I'm going to keep my same high school friends for the rest of my life," said optimistic Sophomore Serena Macleay. "No matter where you go or what you do, friends are always with you," commented Christina Jazuk.

Carrie Cannon, a sophomore, likes having many friends because, "they go places with you, like to the mall and camping trips!" If you are there for friends, they will be there for you. In an interview with Carrie, she stressed how much her friends do for her. She said, "Friends to me are people you need. You can joke around with them and talk to them about problems you have. They're here for you when ever you need them." Her friends support her in whatever she does, and they are hardly ever against choices she makes except when that choice could hurt her. "They're only looking out for me," she said.



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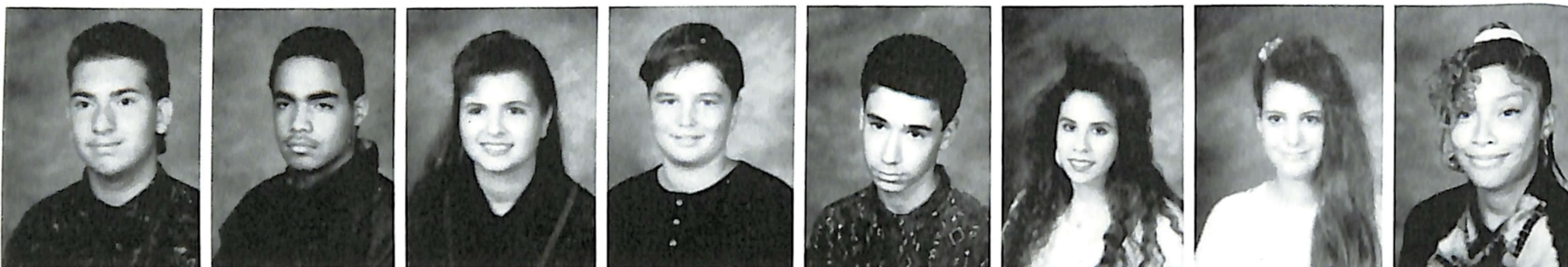
◆ It's Friday and time to plan for the weekend. Margarita Sanchez, Sandra Galimado, and Carolin Castillo decide just exactly how the festivities for their break are going to go.

◆ Spending time after school with friends was the typical scene in the parking lot. Playing a simple game of "Freaking Out" are Mike Garver, Ben Paulsen, Matt Hancock, and Eric Strecker.

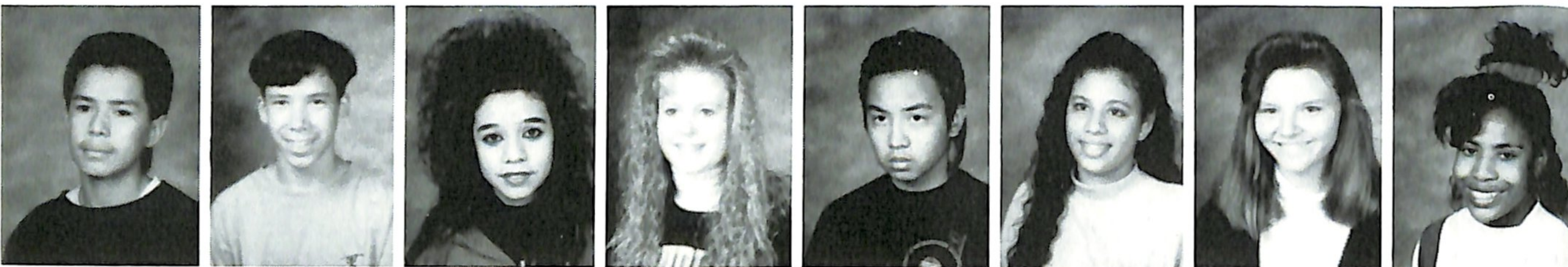
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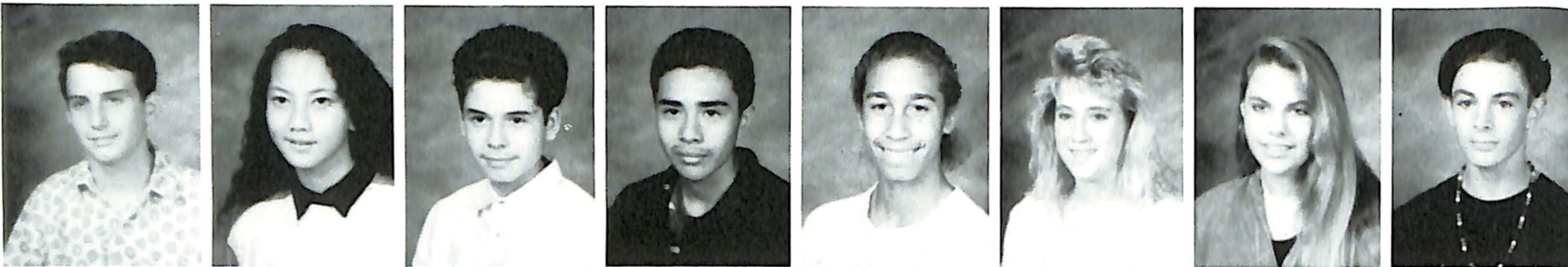
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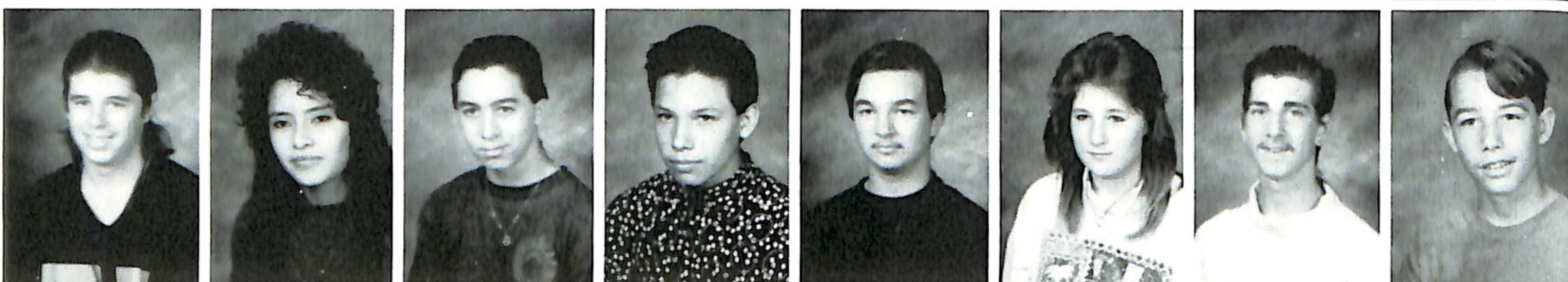
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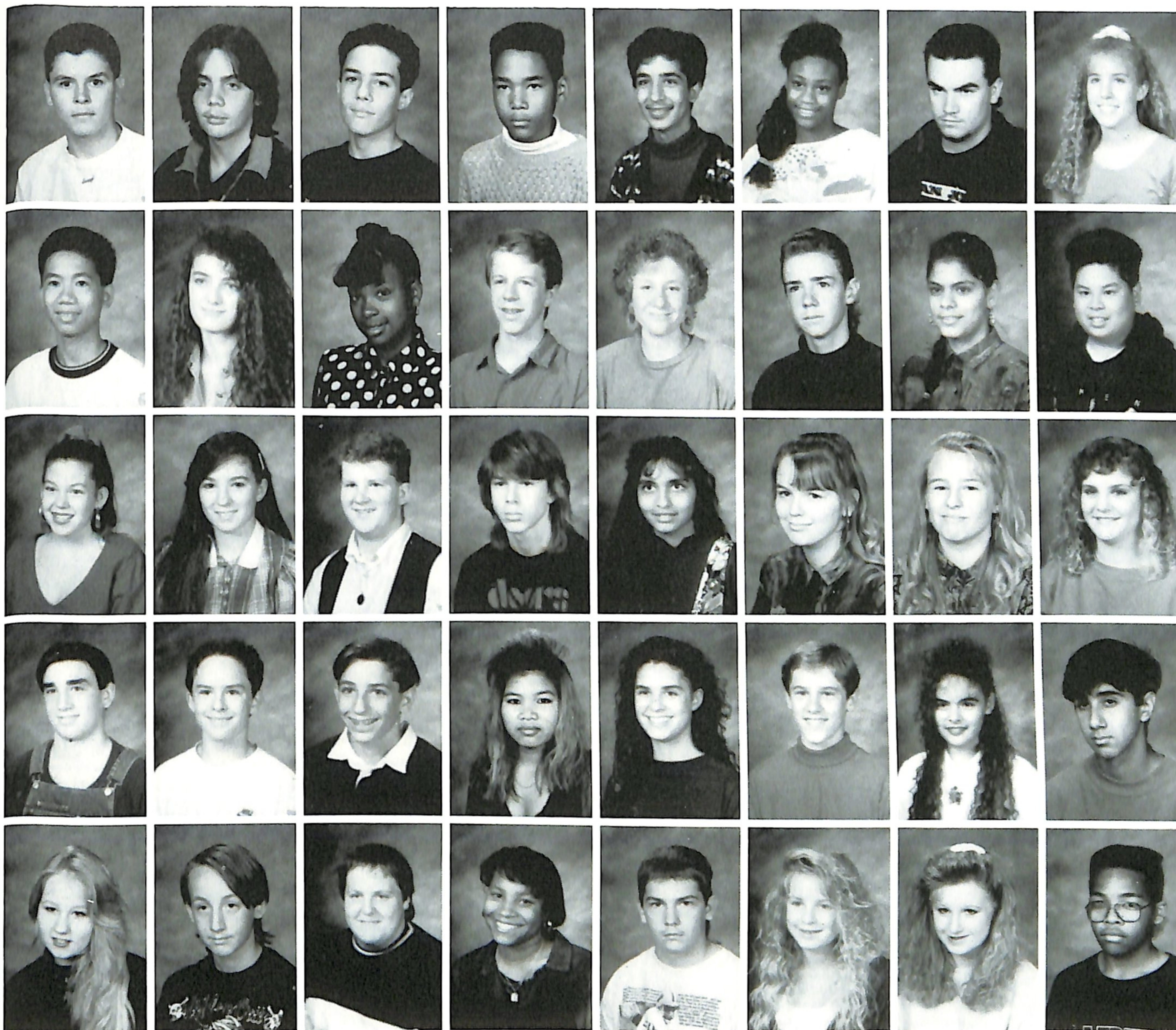
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▲ Tina Lahmon sets up for the goal and shows hard work and practice pays off. Anyone can be their best if one just puts their mind to it and gets a personal goal.

◆ In Kevin Grinton's spare time he rides mountain bikes. In 1991 Kevin competed in the Mammoth Mountain World Cup. "I enjoyed the competition. It gave me a chance to show others my bike riding ability."





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Up Close

Martial arts, a form of self-defense, helps people protect themselves in dangerous situations. Kuk Sool Won is one of the many martial arts in the world and Irene Dorsey is one of the many people who practice martial arts. She has practiced the sport for one and a half years. Possessing a black-brown belt in Kuk Sool Won, Irene learned and memorized punches, kicks, and techniques. She said, "At first it seemed like a lot of hard work and it may be discouraging but if you keep on working at it, you will develop a respect and love for the art."

P They Know No Bounds USHING THE LIMITS S

Determination and hard work will always pay off. When someone cares enough about an activity to exercise these traits, that person has the "right stuff." Two people who have the "right stuff" are Kevin Grinton and Tina Lahmon.

Mountain biking can be a grueling sport, but to Kevin Grinton it is the sport he loves. At the age of twelve, he began entering the local races. By the time he was fourteen, he was competing in national races against some of the best professional racers on the mountain bike circuit. He is sponsored by Solano Ski and Cycle, and trains regularly at the local Rockville Park. "The sights that I see when I'm mountain biking makes the work worth it. Not only is it a fun sport, but it keeps me healthy and in shape," is what he said about his pastime. He intends to keep up the hard work and hopes to one day compete professionally.

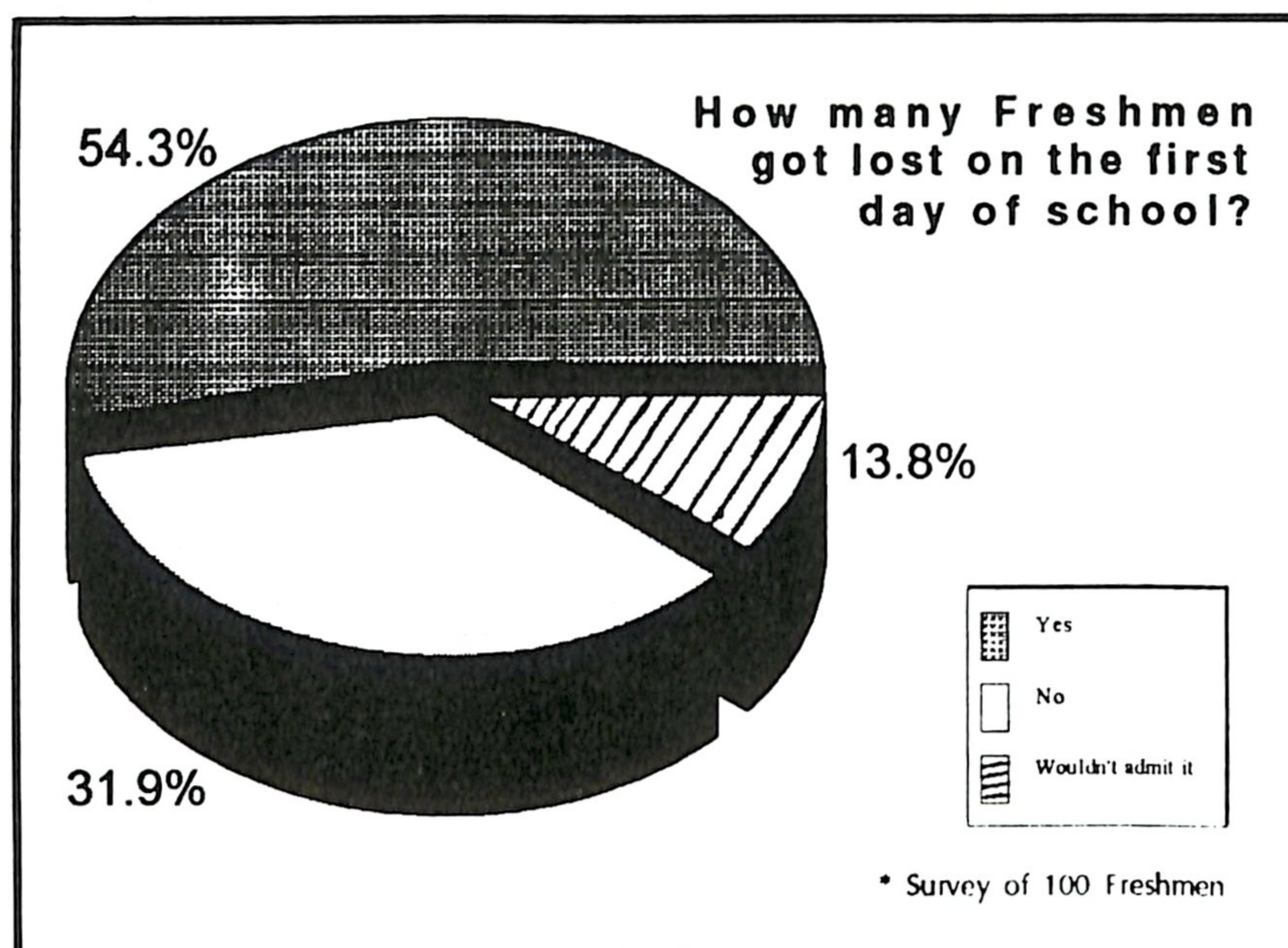
Tina Lahmon's passion is for soccer. She has played soccer for six years and is now on a team called Spectrum. Spectrum is a traveling girls soccer team who plays against teams in Northern California. She finds that playing against distant teams adds to the sport for her. "When you are on a traveling soccer team you get to play a variety of teams and learn new strategies, rather than playing the same teams over and over again," she said. Where she wants to go with her soccer skills she doesn't know, but in the meantime she wants to be the best she can.

For both of these people, their determination and hard work made their sports more fun and enjoyable, while tremendously improving their abilities. Practice was something that they looked forward to. It was easy to put in extra time doing a sport they really loved. Both Kevin and Tina are proud of their achievements and are glad that they pushed their own limits.

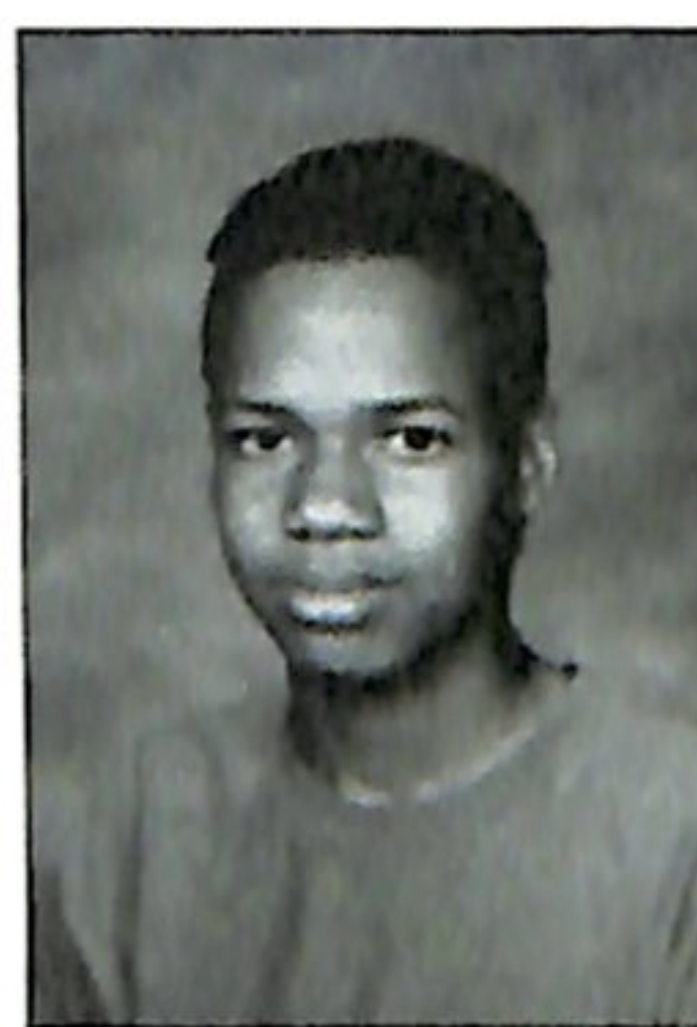


Junior David Goodman uses his seniority to his advantage as he points Freshman Brandy Peterson in the opposite direction of where she needs to go.

...Down The Hall And To The Right...



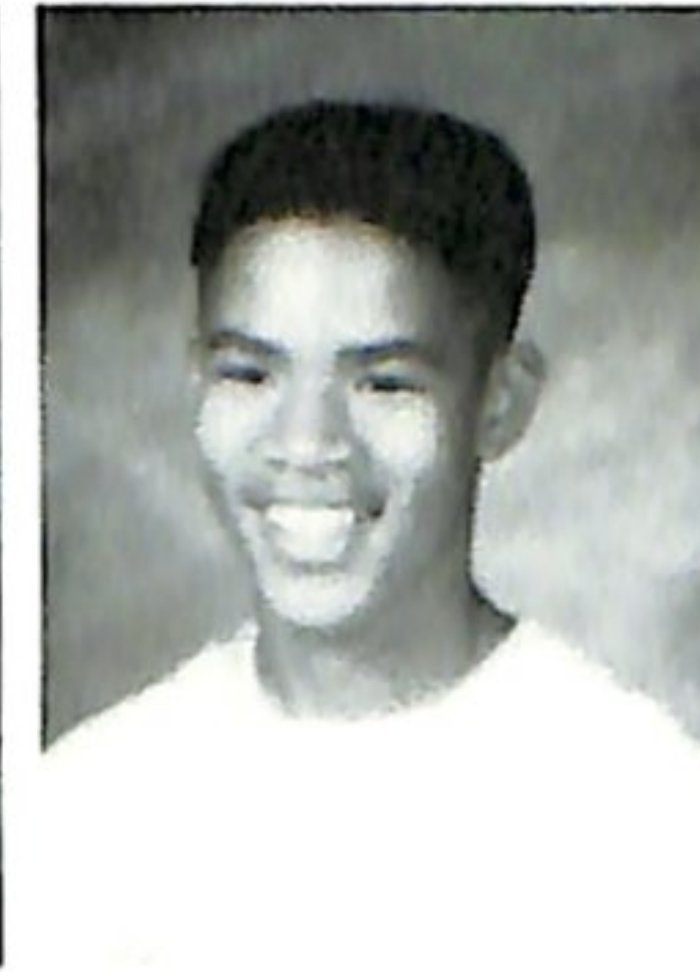
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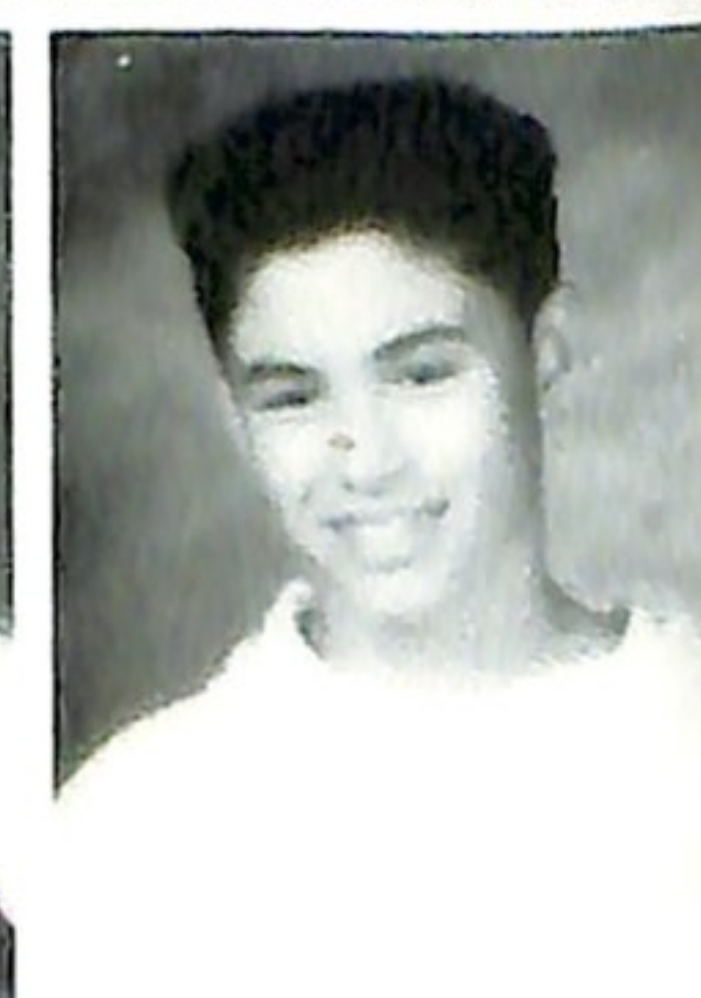
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Casey, Paul



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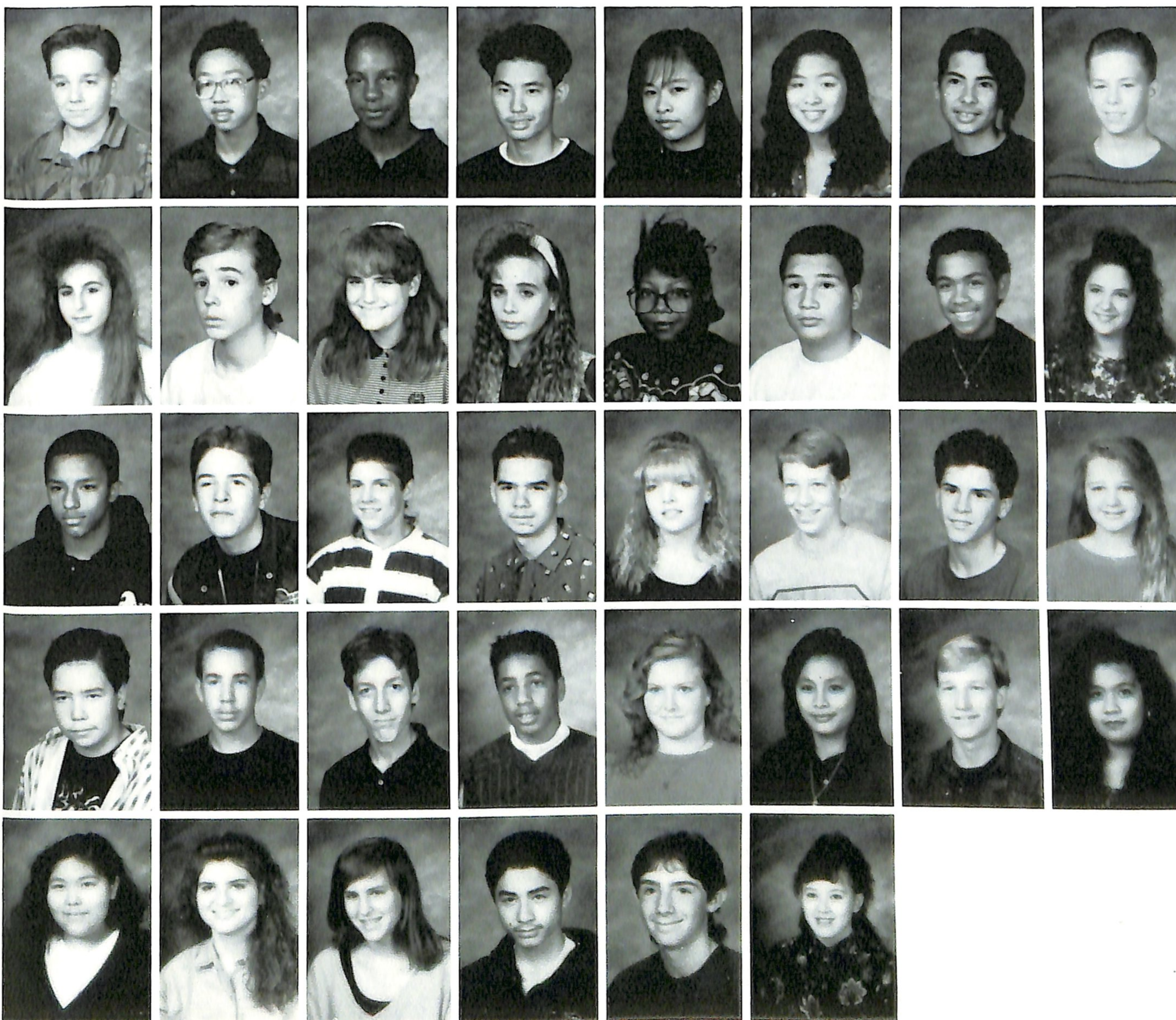
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Chutes & Ladders

It's what life is all about.

For Jennifer Wilson, being a freshman isn't so bad. With having older friends Jennifer has more privileges than the normal freshman. Having older friends with cars she can go to distant places for lunch. Being a freshman Jennifer has a bigger work load than Junior High. She quoted, "I have to schedule my time now that I am in the I.C.C. program, it's a lot of work." Hopefully in the future Jennifer's work load will be reduced.

This is the beginning for many freshmen which was the start for the sophomores, juniors and seniors. We must all start at the bottom of the ladder and work our way up. Can you recall being in this position? I do: First grade, then seventh grade, and now freshman. During this time, I can remember being at the top looking down at the memories of "having been there before." There is a feeling of loneliness, helplessness, and confusion. You wander around aimlessly seeking help to find your classrooms. You look for familiar faces. You search for a friendly smile. Fear has suddenly become reality but you cannot let it be obvious. The hustle and bustle of the crowd is overwhelming. Being at the bottom can sometimes be humiliating and intimidating. However, we have been able to make it to the next level of social acceptance. This took an enormous amount of courage and determination. Jumping with the aid of a parachute can be frightening but the feeling disappears when you have landed safely on the ground. You encounter many strange faces and an unfamiliar environment. You think to yourself: Where do I go from here, how am I going to cope with the new surrounding, will I be accepted by my peers, will I be able to handle the homework assignments? Many questions needed to be answered at that time. But the only solution at hand was to climb the ladder of success. We now look forward to college where we, again, will be at the bottom striving to reach the top of the ladder. Next, will be the working environment and handling other social pressures. Does this cycle ever end? The logical answer would be no. This is what life is all about. Only we can determine our destination. We must set standards to be able to obtain our goals. I hope to see you all at the top of the ladder.



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Cox, Jason
Crain, Cory
Crawford, Amie
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Crothwait, Chad
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R From Michael to Mom S ROLE MODEL



*Up
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Everybody has a role model they look up to. For some it's sport super stars like Bo Jackson and Michael Jordan. Students John Sellars and Sean Jonas both look up to sport stars. "Athletes are excellent role models," said John.

"Mike Singletary," says Sean, "I want to be just like him."

On the other hand, family and friends are also admired by students. Rebekah Borem says her dad is the one she admires. "He has the job I want to do when I get older." Rickie Williams also looks up to his father. He commented, "He has done the best he can for my family and I." He's a real strong person, mentally and physically." Helena Bates' dad's "not like most adults. He's like a child. He understands me."

Let's not forget our mothers. Chris Cassidy looks up to his mother. "She's older and she brought me into this life." Tausheena Anderson's mom understands her. "If I have a problem she'll help me." But Kisha Waright has a hard time just choosing one, "my mom, auntie, grandma, YO-YO and Ice Cube."

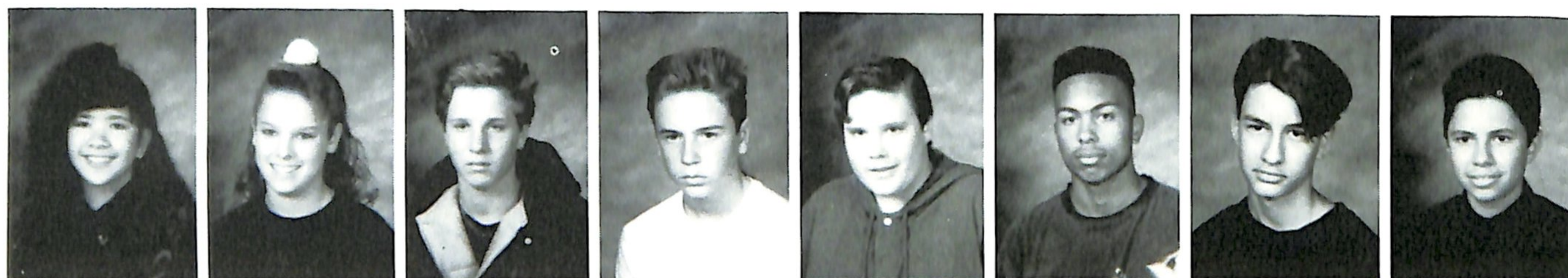
Friends and older siblings aren't to be excluded. "My brother is in the Navy. I want to be just like him," says Aaron Cyr. Alissa Jones' two best friends are like sisters to her. "Gina and Vickie have been with me all my life. I don't have a sister and I consider them my sisters."

However there are those who don't believe anyone is suitable to be a proper role model. Anna Henry and Tom Janci agree on this. Anna said, "Nobody knows the answers. Everybody is different." Tom adds, "Nobody knows the real way for you to live your life."

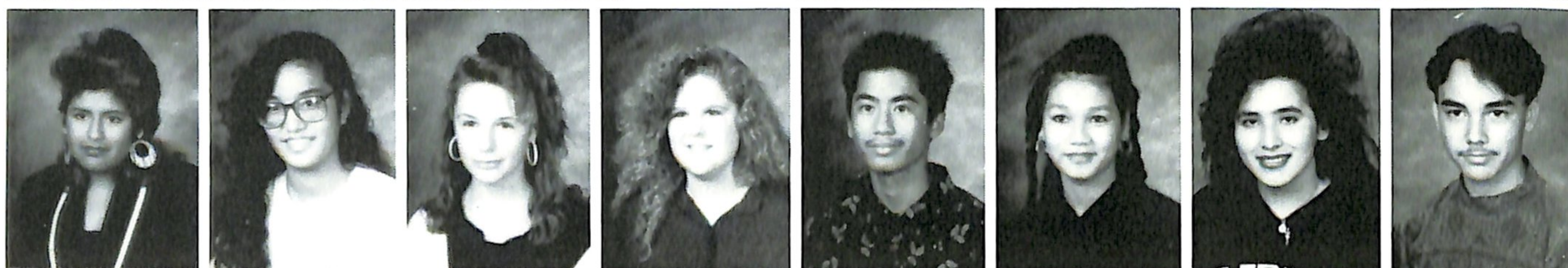
But no matter whether you agree or disagree with this, your family and friends are there for you through thick and thin, for richer or poorer, till death do you part. They give you support and help when you need it. Without them, where would you be?

Tonya Aubrey's mom and dad are her role models. When Tonya was asked why she liked them so much she said, "My mom gave me good advice when I needed it, and my dad taught me how to do good in school." Some of her favorite qualities in her mom is that she can talk to her like a friend and parent. Her dad is able to talk to her about boy problems without getting mad or embarrassed. "My parents are unique because they are mine." "We have a special bond between us and we have love for one another." Relating with parents is important. They are the most extraordinary kind of role model anyone could have.

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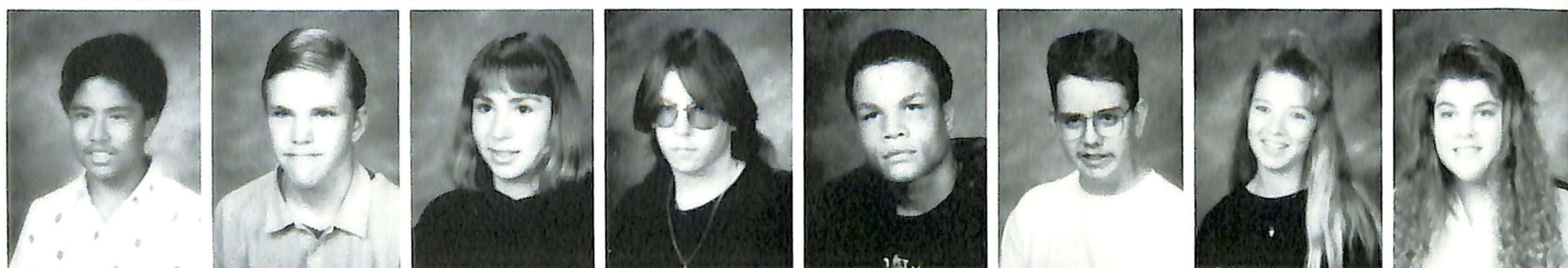
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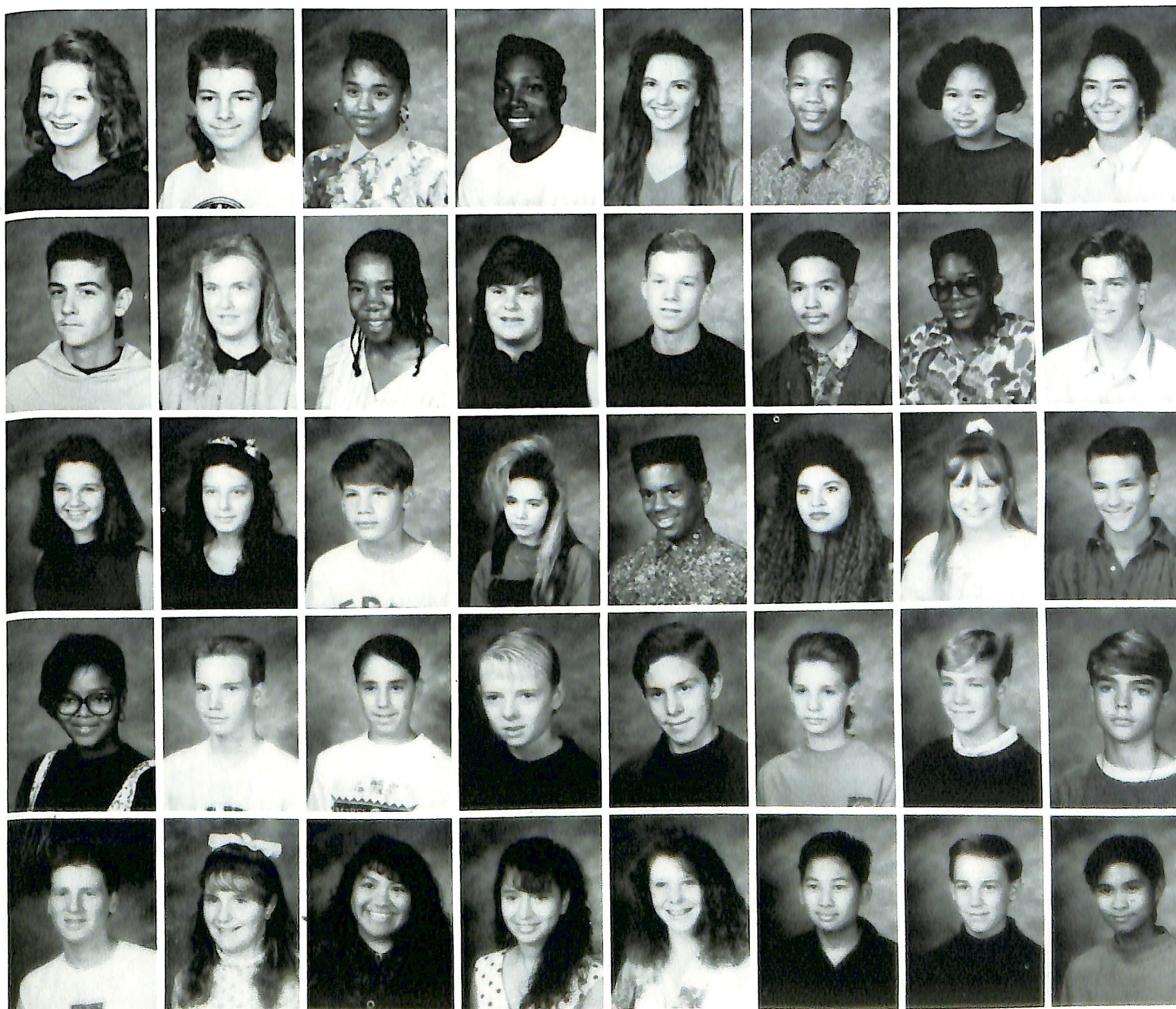
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◆ "Besides my dad, I look up to Michael Jordan," said Freshman Rickie Williams. "I hope to be taller than him someday. Maybe then I'll be as good a player as Jordan is."

◆ Alexis Scalice's role models are her friends and cheerleading pals Katy Inman, Carrie Batson, and Katie Dineen. "Even though we've just met, they're there for me when I need them," said Alexis.



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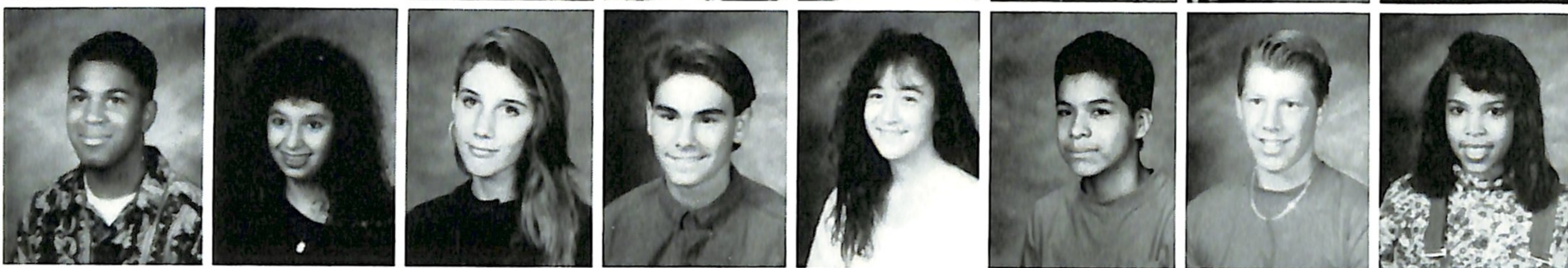
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B Superstitions Are Everywhere T BELIEVE IT OR NO



*Up
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Do you get nervous when a black cat crosses your path? Does that same cat have nine lives? Will misfortune find you if you open an umbrella indoors? These are some superstitions that we are all familiar with. They have existed for countless generations and are still practiced in today's society. Some choose to believe in them and others say they're just make-believe, but regardless if we believe or not, we all think twice before walking underneath a ladder.

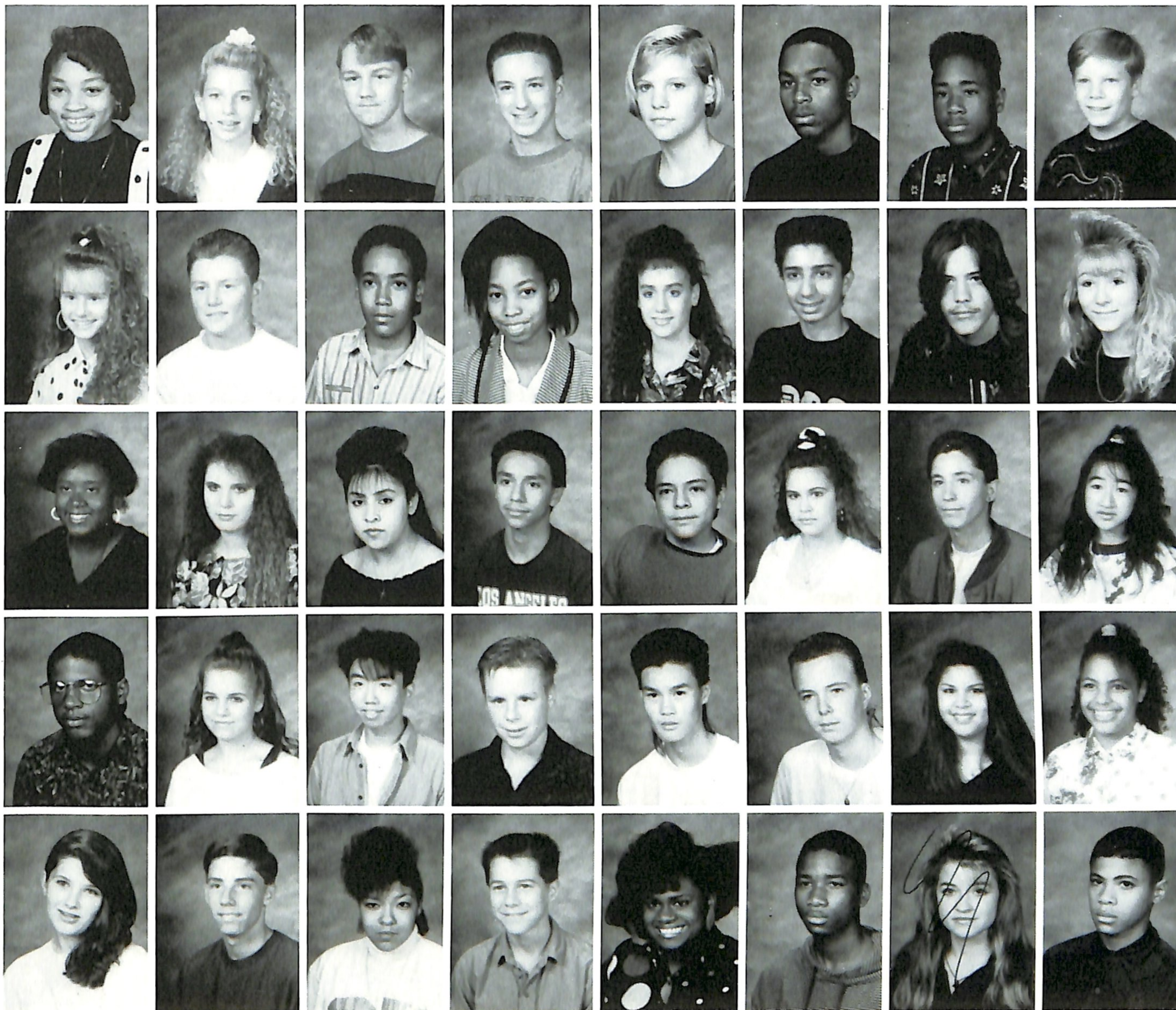
When asked if he believed in superstition, Kevin McQuitty replied, "I don't believe in most superstitions, but I always use a Bic pen when taking a test. If I use any other brand, my grade seems to be lower than usual." Another student, Ken Senna, was asked if he practiced any superstitions. He replied, "I never study on the day of a big test for fear of going blank and not remembering anything."

Sometimes a superstition can develop from a childhood fear. Senior Mike Kim said, "One night when I was just a kid, I woke up and swore that I saw a man standing in the corner of the room. So now, before I go to sleep, I always check under my bed and inside of my closets, because if I don't, the Boogie Man might get me."

So if you are a believer in superstition or not, you might want to be extra careful when handling a mirror or you might be cursed with seven years of bad luck, nightmares, or worst of all, bad haircuts.

To be on the safe side, toss a pinch of salt over your shoulder or better yet, knock on wood!

When asked how he felt about superstitions, Junior Jessie Gross replied that he didn't believe in any and that he didn't like it when people blamed their problems on them. "I think that people like to blame their misfortunes or mistakes on superstition instead of taking responsibility for them," said Jessie. For some, Superstitions are a way to make life happenings a little more exciting.



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Harris, Kenyatta
Harris, Richie

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Hawkins, Monique
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Holland, Tanya

Holt, Jennifer
Hooper, Donald
Hopkins, Chanel
Howard, James
Howell, Lashonda
Hubbard, Antonio
Hull, Melinda
Hunt, David



◆ With a look of horror, Mike Kim awaits a shattering crash of glass. Many people believe that if you break a mirror, your next seven years will be full of bad luck.

◆ Macario Dagdagon suddenly stops in his tracks as "Blacky" decides to cross his path. Black cats have for a long time, been considered a symbol of evil and danger.

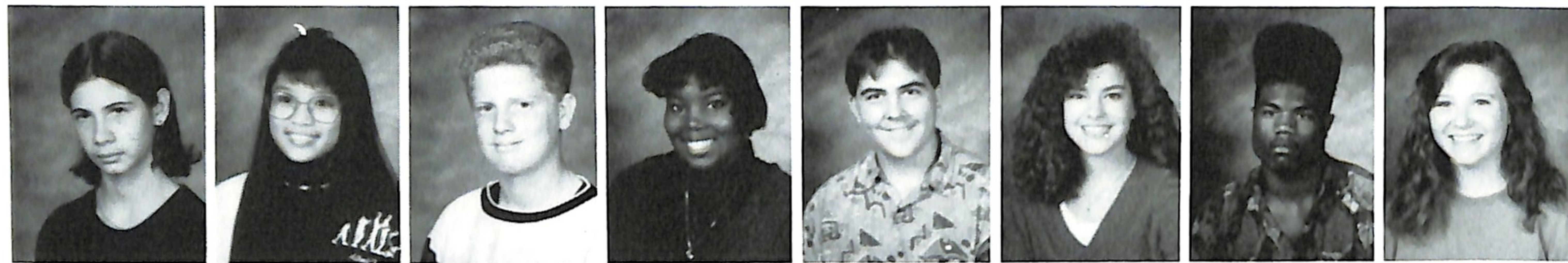
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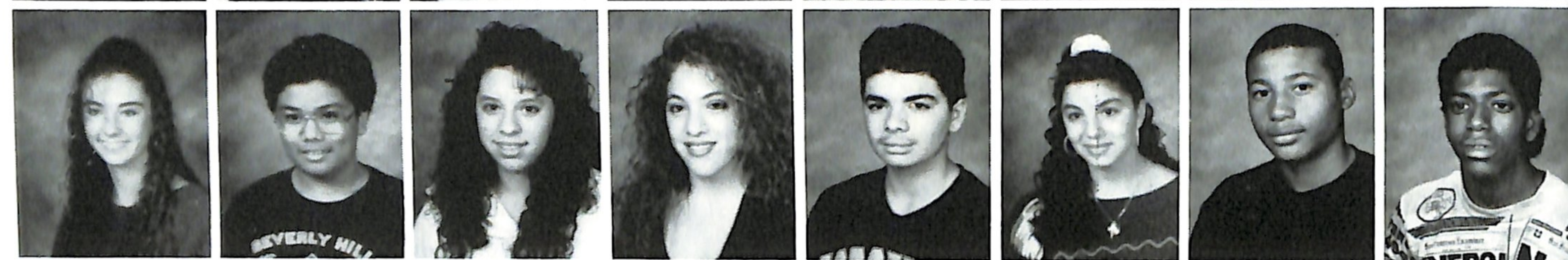
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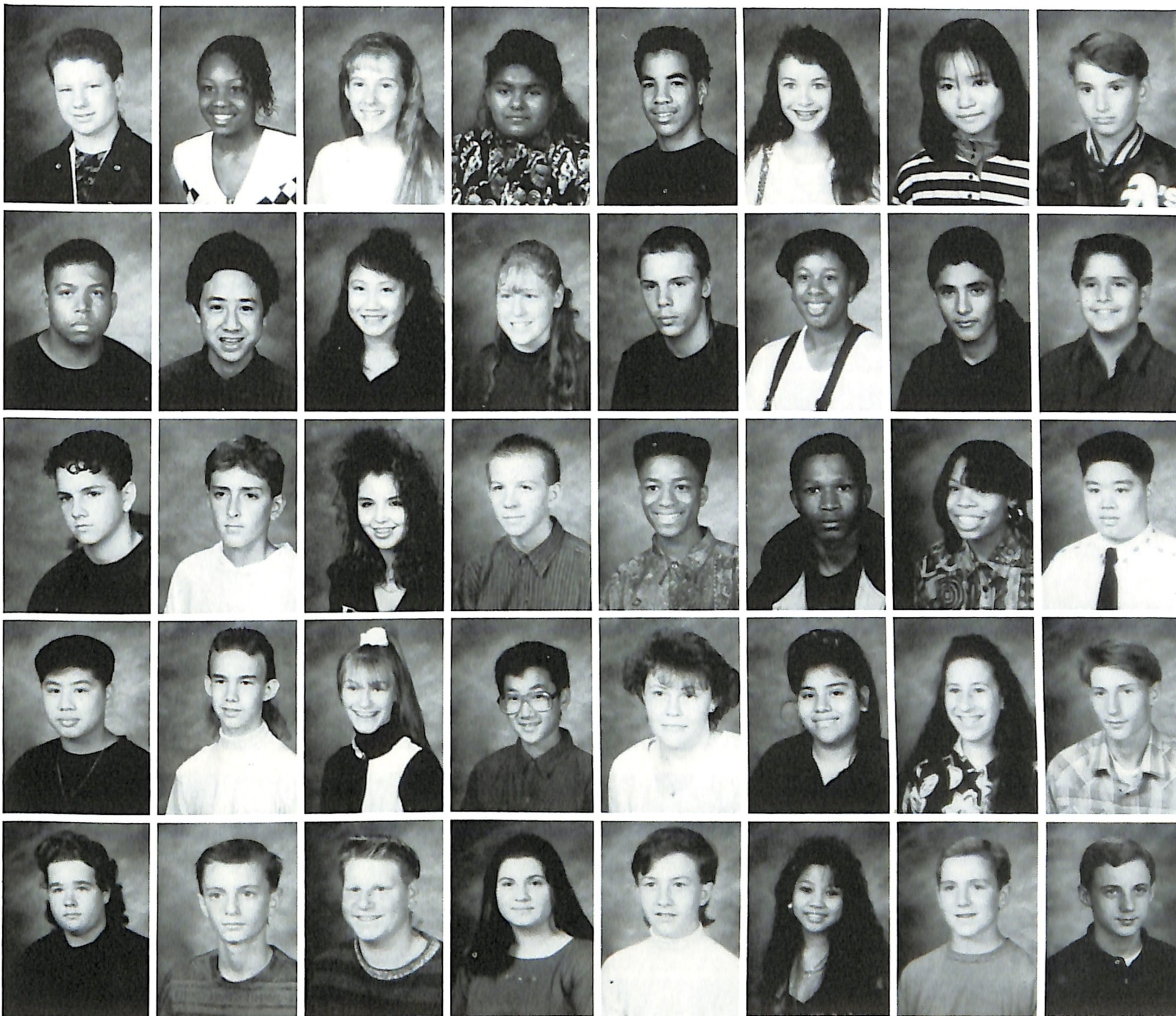
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After a victorious football game, some of the fans went to Geri-Towne Pizza to share their excitement with food and video games.



Keith Darby cleans up crime with the Big Boss Man on Wrestlefest. He plays games for fun, but this was his first time on Wrestlefest.



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Laforcade, Talisa
Lahmon, Tina
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Law, Sarah
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Leon, Ernesto
Leon, Robby

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Levigne, Stella
Lewis, Geoffrey
Lewis, Jeffrey
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Locke, Jason
Lockwood, Jessica
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Luchetti, Eric

Luman, Jonathon
Lyons, Mike
Lynn, Gary
Machenzie, Sylvia
Maddox, Steven
Magpusao, Terri
Malmquist, Ben
Booker, Richard



Up Close

Freshman Marci DeVera has been playing video games for six years, but wasn't serious until about two years ago. He considers himself an average player, but he excels at sports games. Marci says that video games are an important part of his entertainment life. To anyone who says video games are for kids, Marci said, "No one is too old for anything, as long as they enjoy it."

F Video Games Are Here To Stay EEDING THE MACHIN E

You're traveling through an unknown galaxy, being pursued by alien space ships. Your fuel is low, your weapons are gone, and they are closing in. Trying to escape is useless, you and your ship are vaporized. This isn't a nightmare, it's a video game, one of the favorite pastimes of many students.

Video games are not just for kids anymore, they're a captivating hobby. Students of all ages play video games, and some even spend all day on them. Most students however, only spend a small amount of time per day on video games. Junior David DeVera said, "I spend around a half an hour playing video games on school nights and around an hour on weekend days." The escape from reality that video games provide allows an ordinary person to become a super hero, a soldier, or just about anything else that they can imagine. Freshman Jenna Pring likes to play "Sonic the Hedgehog" for the Sega Genesis because, "It's fun to jump, spin, and run really fast," she explained.

Video games are more than just a pastime, to some they are an addiction. Some students go directly to a local arcade after school is out or spend their homework time playing a game or two at home. Senior Chris Johnson said, "I play them whenever I get a chance, but my brother is always using our Nintendo."

While some students are much more into video games than others, almost everyone owns, or has played some type of video game at one time or another. "I like them all, they're better than doing homework," said Freshman Megan McAuliffe. "I play them just for the fun of it, and they keep me busy," said Junior Galen Tom. Video games are not just a passing trend, they are here to stay.

◆ Being a freshman has its disadvantages. For example, not having a driver's license is a problem, unless you're like James Clark who finds a friend in Senior Nate Madson.

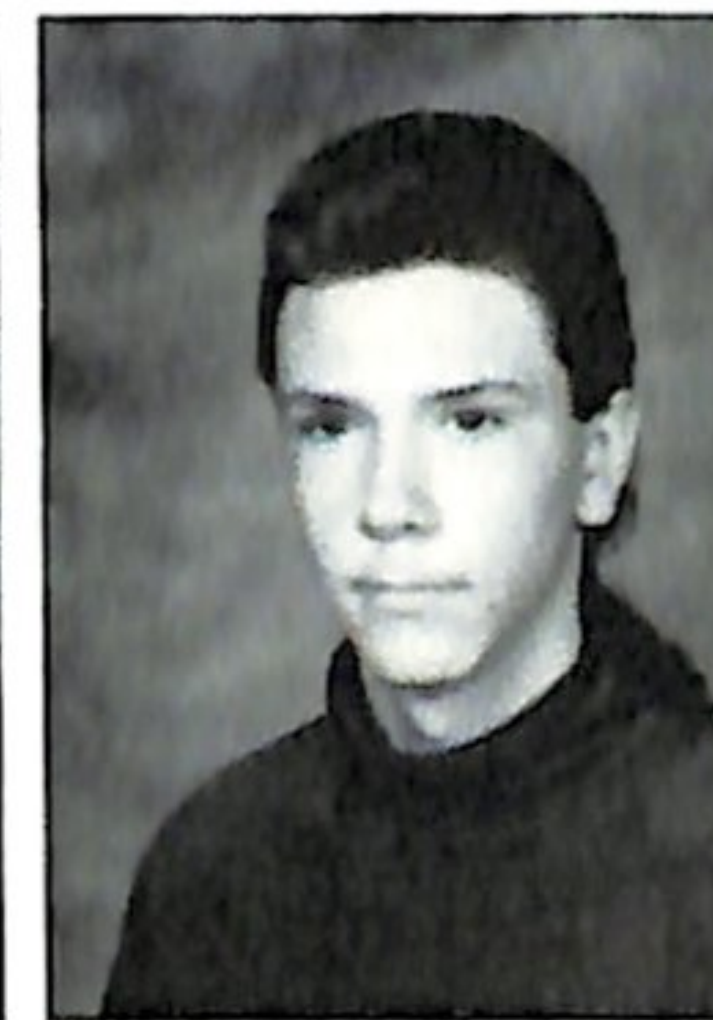
◆ Senior David Guberman demonstrates true friendship while giving Freshman Will Baker a helping hand with homework.



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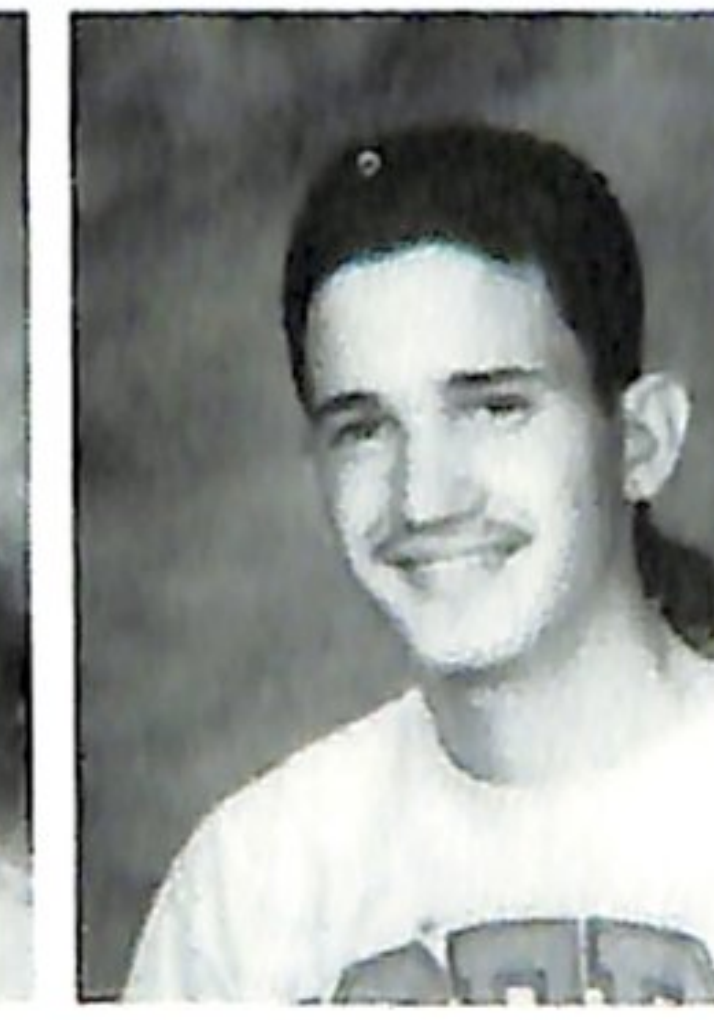
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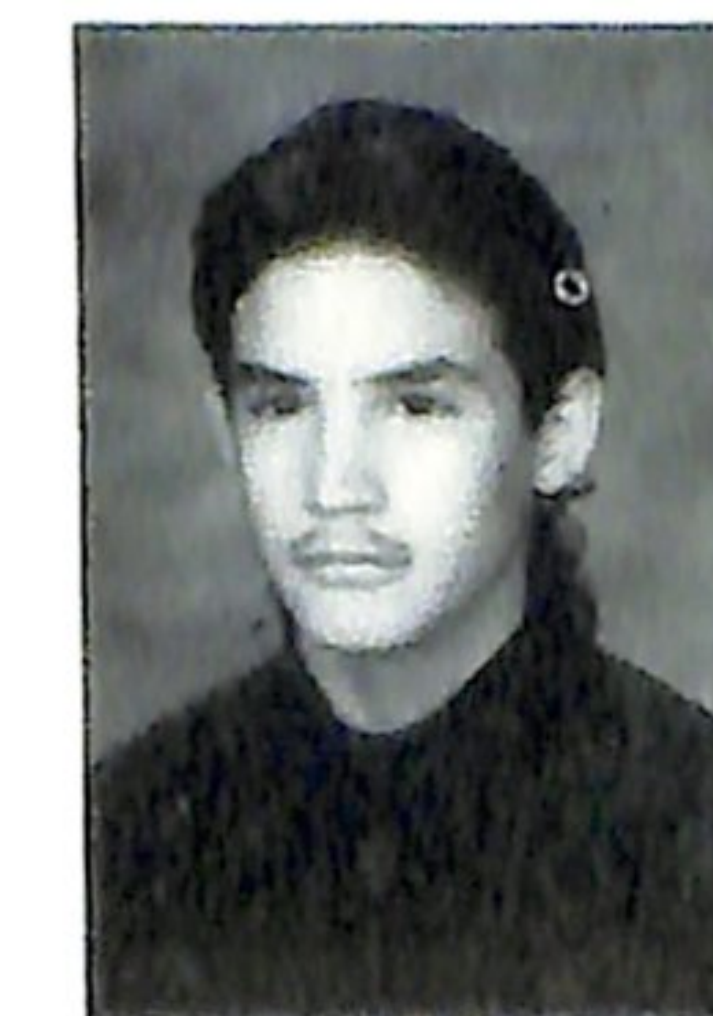
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Milton, Erika
Miranda, Dave





Up Close

Jason Abrew is a freshman who cannot wait to be a senior. "Sometimes at lunch some of my senior friends ask me if I want to come with them to lunch. Usually I ask them and they're real nice about it. Getting rides and hangin' out with seniors can be a lot of fun, especially at lunch." When Jason becomes a senior, he will probably return the favor to the first freshman he becomes friends with. "I can't wait for the opportunity," stated Jason.

G Everybody Wants to Be Older ROWING UP TOO SLO W

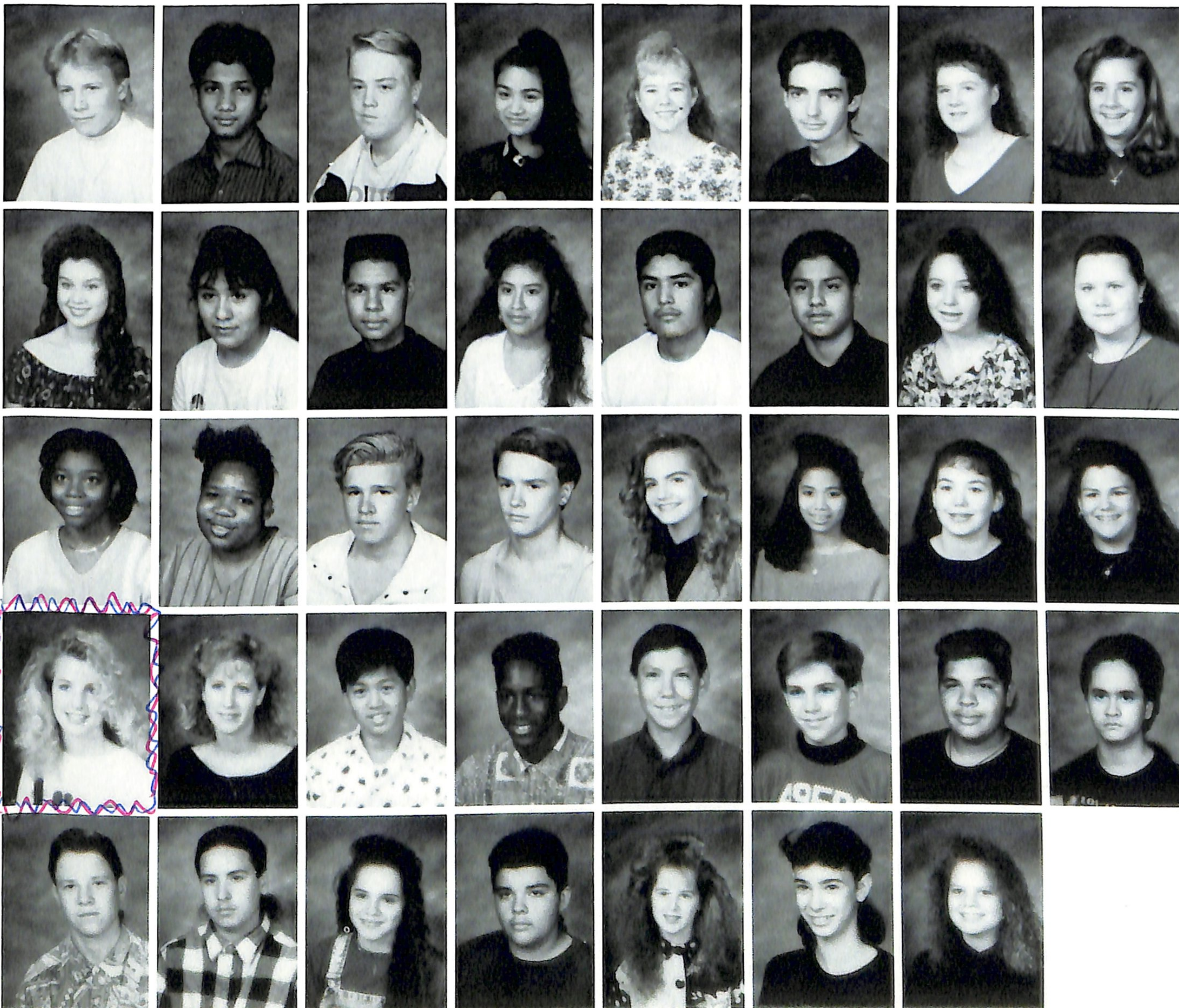
Some people want to be sport super stars. Some people want to be rock and roll legends. Others just want to be famous. However, freshmen just want to be like seniors.

Why would a freshman with hardly any worries want to be like a senior that has to worry about college, prom, and getting a summer job? A drivers license, perhaps?

According to Lori Demassa a driver's license is only part of the reason why she would like to be a senior. "I would like to be a senior because then I would have more freedom and my parents couldn't ground me so easily. By then I will have my own car and be able to go places with my friends without having to bum a ride."

Brad Fullerton has a different opinion about wanting to be a senior. Brad said, "Seniors just have too much to worry about. They have college and car payments to take care of. I just want to enjoy my four years of high school." Don't you think seniors have more privileges at school than freshmen? Chad Avilla said, "Yes, I do think seniors have more privileges than freshmen do." Maybe it is better not having too many things to do, that way things won't get too complicated too soon.

Even though there might be a lot of good things about being a senior there are a lot of down sides as well. One of the good things about growing up is it brings you closer to the real world and real responsibilities that seem to never end and only become greater as you get older. The freshmen are fortunate enough that they still have three more years waiting for them in which to build spirit and prepare for life itself.



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When it comes to doing chores around the house, it is always someone else's turn. Most Freshmen have chores to do around the house. When asked how they felt about having chores, many responded with a negative tone in their voices. They did not like to do chores, but when asked to, they did them anyway. "My mom works all day, so when she asks me to do something around the house, I do it without arguing," said Michelle Bien.

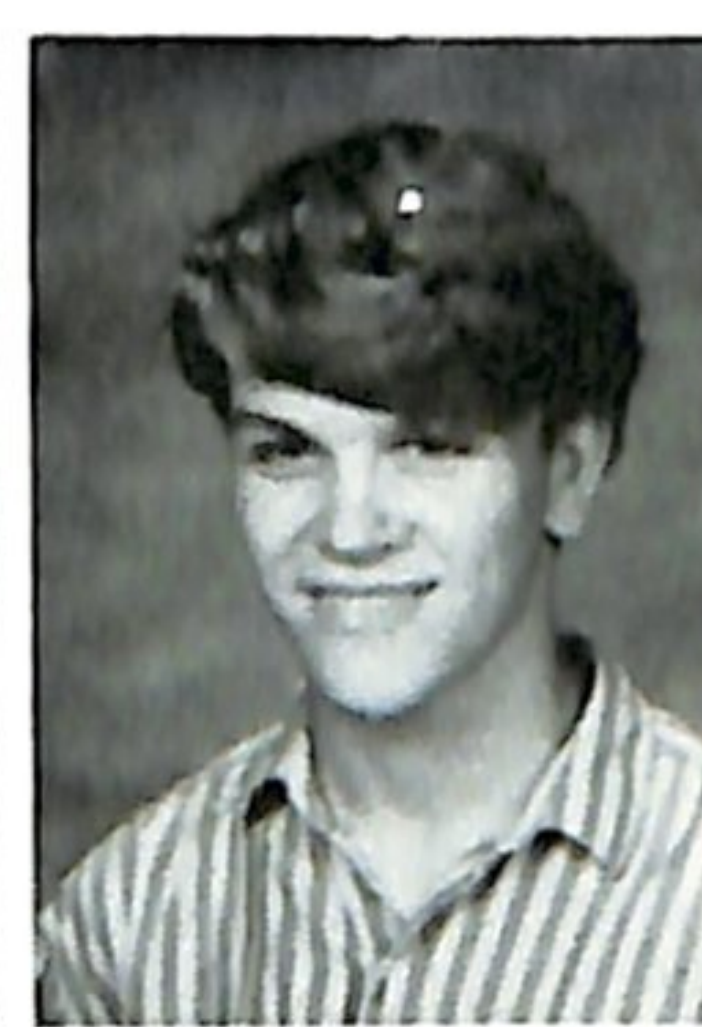
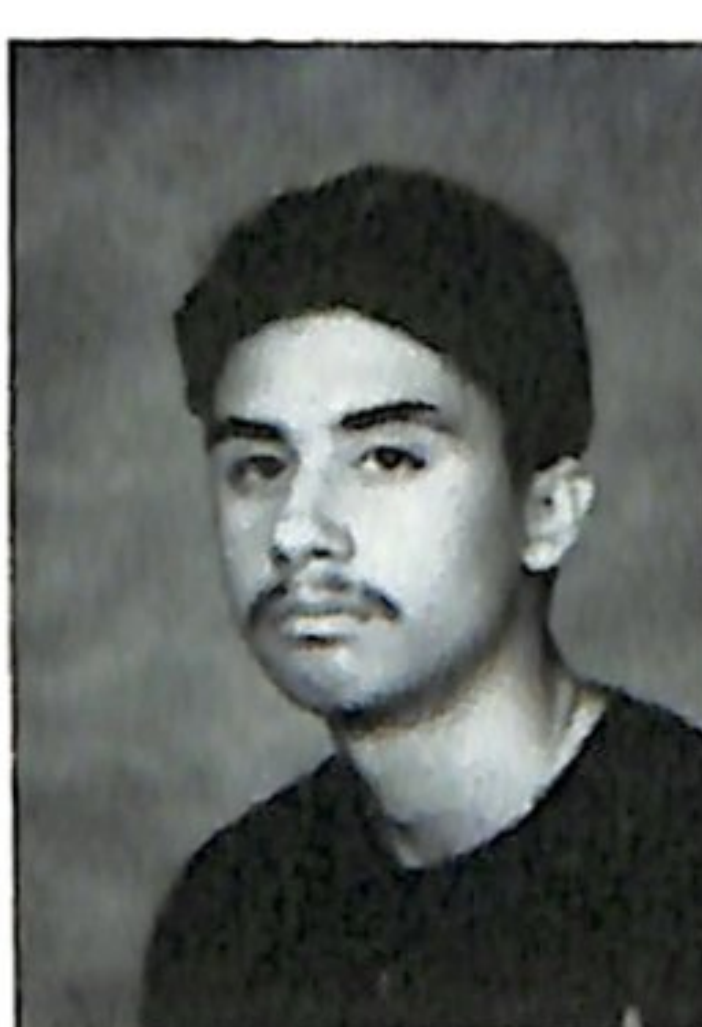
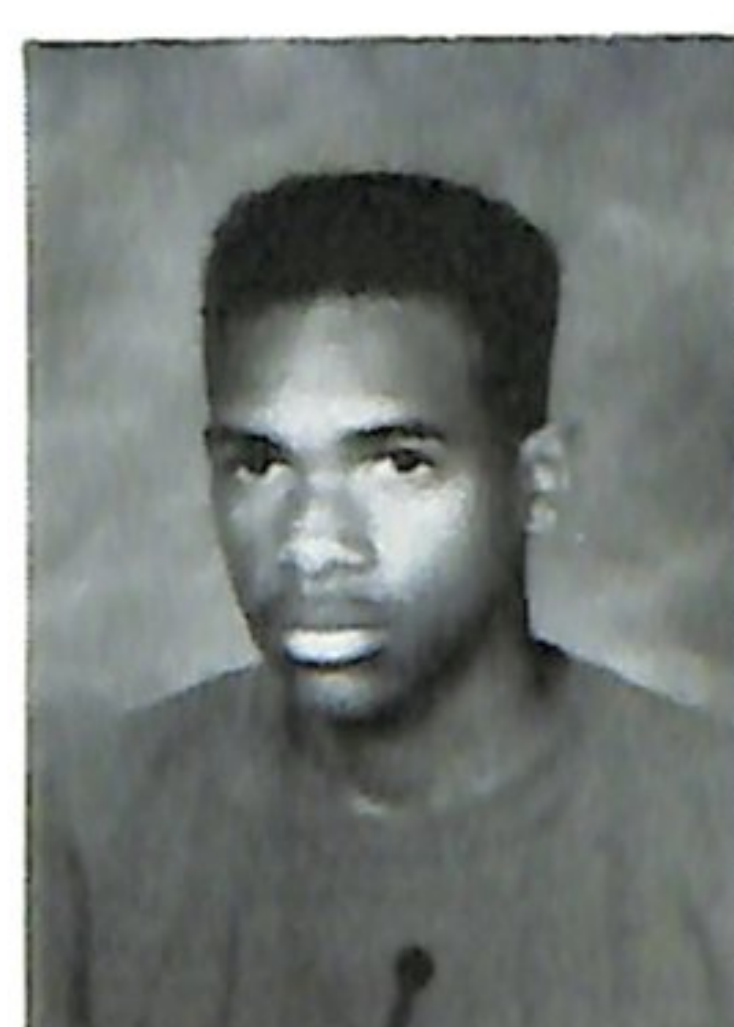
A different view on why Freshmen do chores is given by Chad Avilla. He said, "I'll do a chore such as wash my parents car just to be nice." The majority of Freshmen babysit, take out the trash, vacuum the house, wash the dishes, help with the pets, and do laundry. If they have brothers or sisters, they usually divide the chores among the siblings. Most chores are done daily. However Shawna Morgan prefers to clean the entire house every Friday. "This way I don't have to clean everyday after school and I can have more time with my friends." When Scott Hardy was asked what chores he was responsible for, he said, "Whatever my parents want me to do, I have to do it. I do my own laundry, and keep my room very clean."

Although many students do not like to do chores, it is a stepping stone to learning responsibility. It teaches discipline and time management which are valuable skills. With cooperation in the home, it can pave the way for good relationships with college roommates, and beyond that, the way you will run your own household.

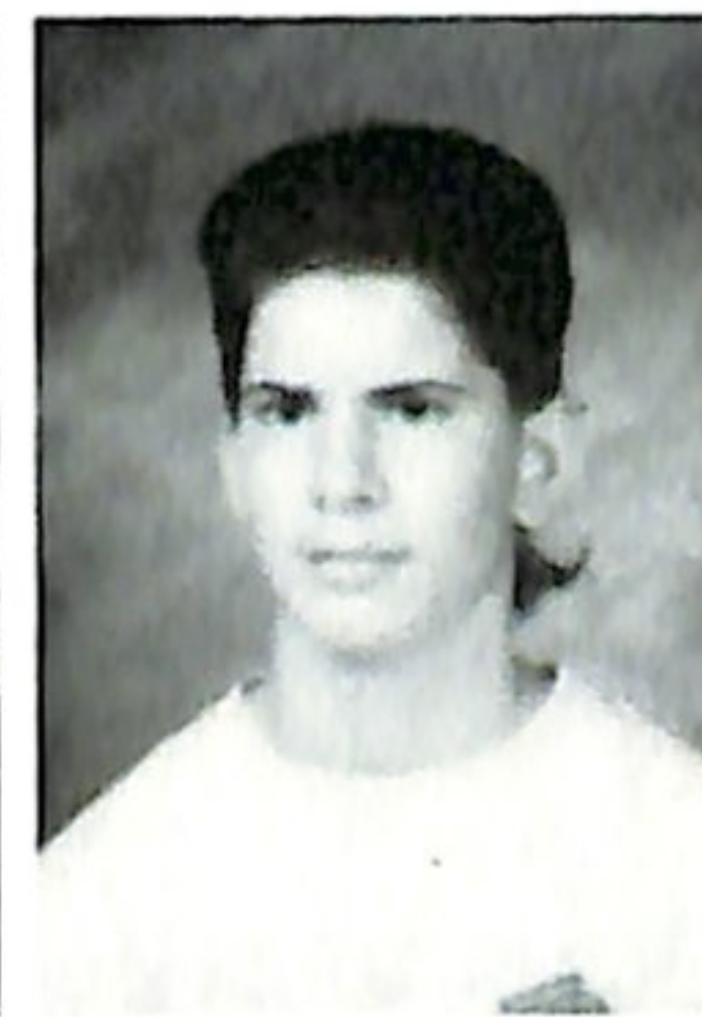
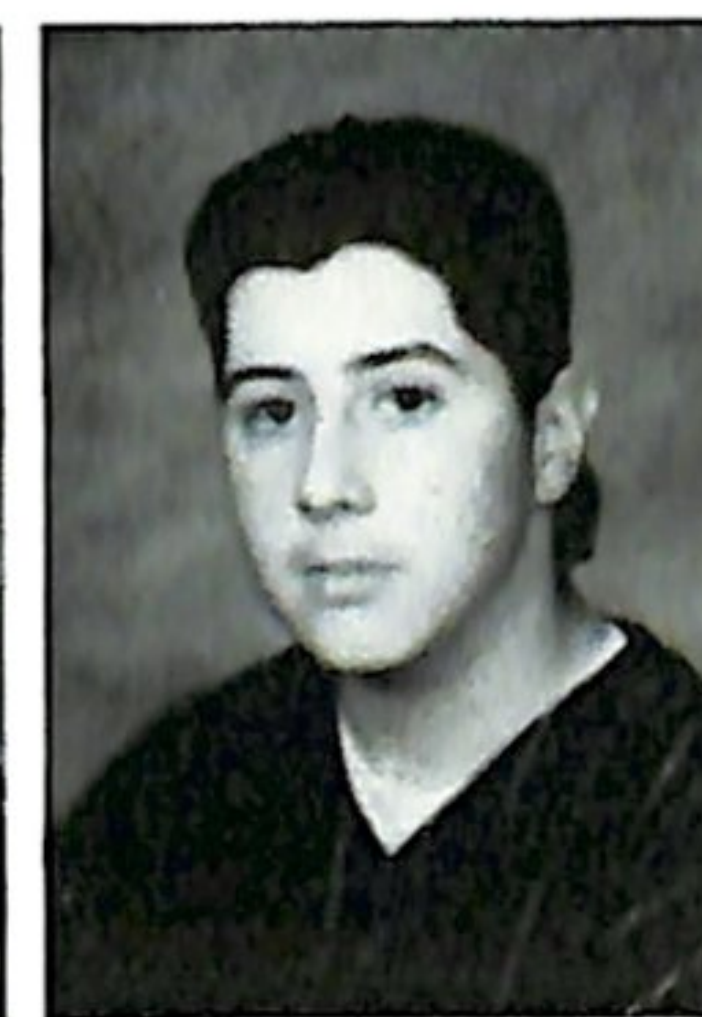
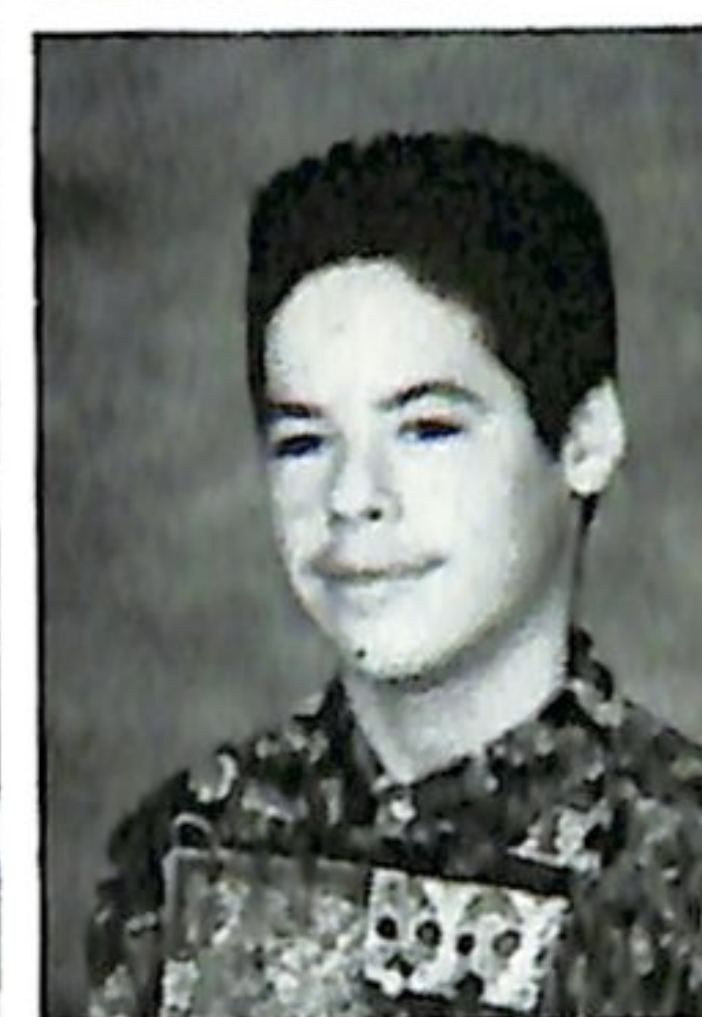
What do you want to be when you get older? As a Freshman this question seems unrealistic but for Tina Lahmon she already has her goals set. She would like to be a kindergarten teacher. "I would like to be a kindergarten teacher because it would be one of the easiest classes to teach. I also enjoy the company of small children," said Tina.

For a student like Tina, already having her goals in mind, she can take classes now that will be useful to her career choice. Classes are offered in Parenting, Cross-Age Teaching, and Psychology, which are all helpful to someone pursuing a career with children.

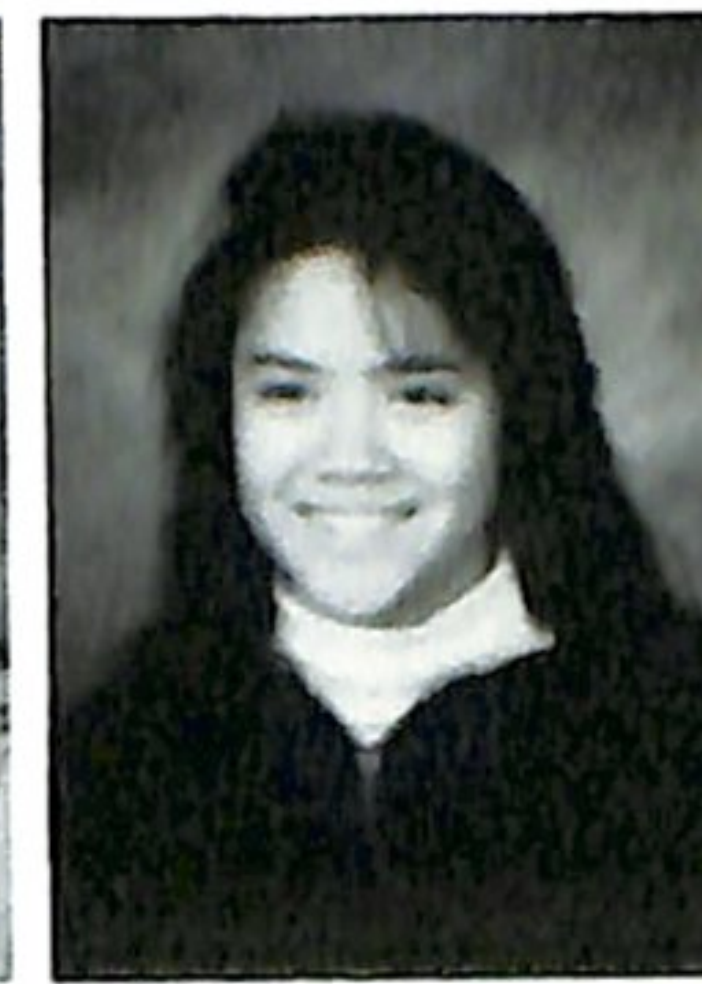
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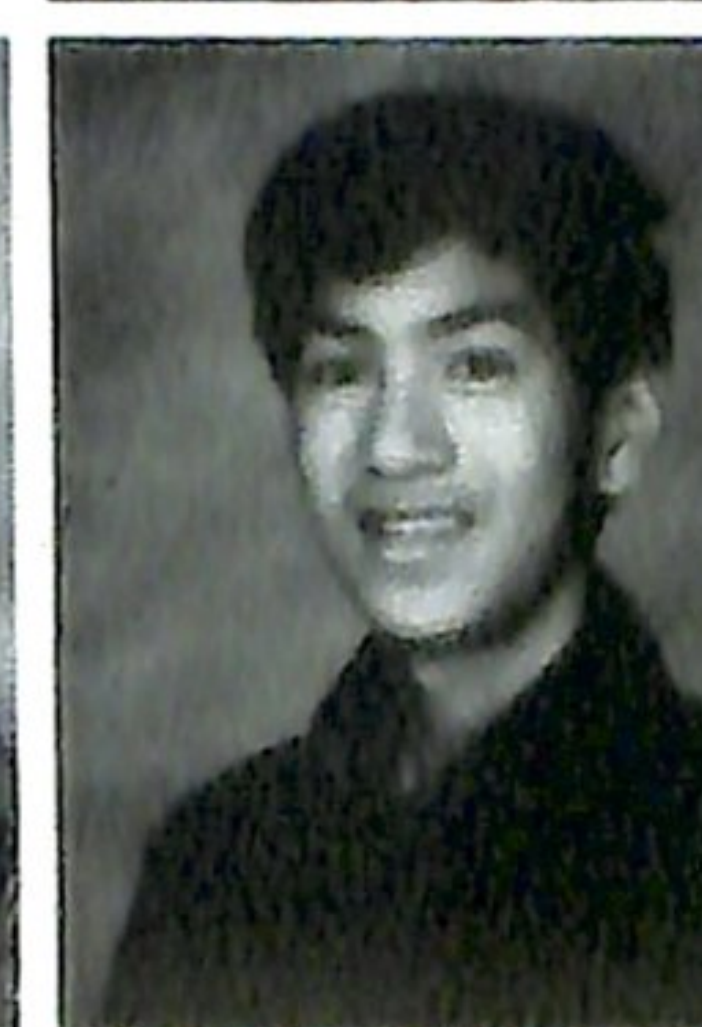
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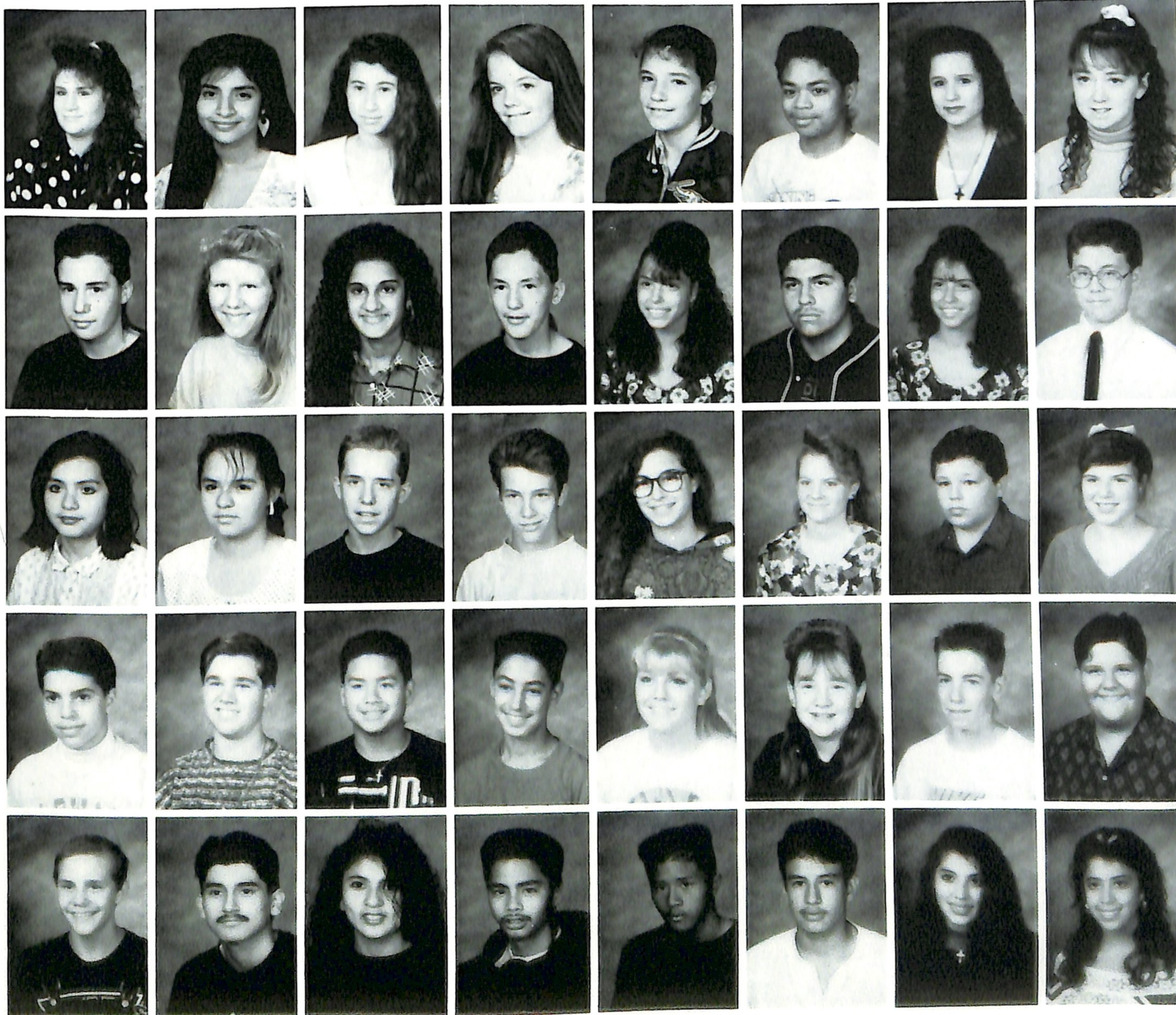




◆ Sean Pittman demonstrates responsibility in his own living room, vacuuming being just one of his chores. "I feel I don't do enough chores, but I really don't want to do more. I think the easiest chore is taking out the trash."



◆ Amber Asbe is performing one of her household duties, by doing the laundry. "I'd rather do laundry any day than clean the cat box. The only time I do chores is when I'm asked to do them, otherwise I leave them for my brother and sister to do."



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Ponce, Margarita
Ponce, Nancy
Post, Dawn
Powell, Jennifer
Powers, Abebe
Prado, Ana
Pratt, Sarah

Price, Travis
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Michael Bowman straightens out his locker after a long day. Some students have even gone to the extent of getting locker shelves to solve the situation of having a messy locker. Michael said, "I usually clean my locker every week. It's really not that hard to keep it clean."

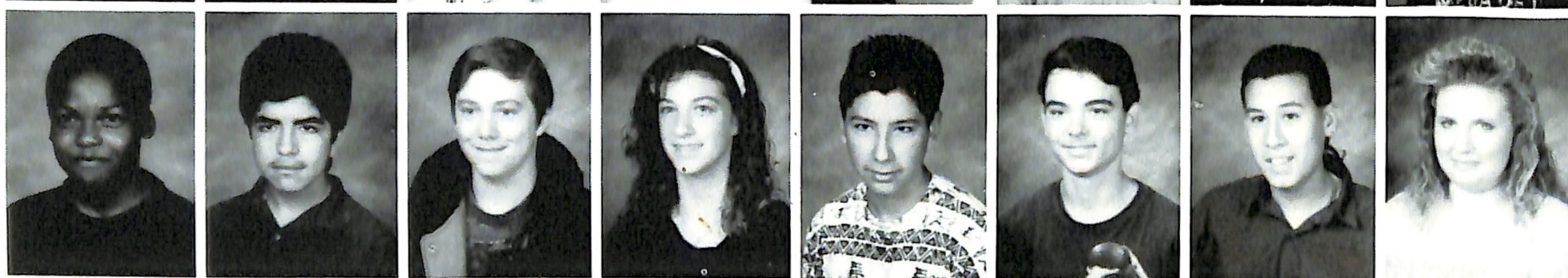
Emile Soriano decorates his locker with personal drawings. Plenty of students put up pictures or drawings to express themselves and to liven up the dull, gray storage area. "I feel a plain locker is a boring locker," said Emile.



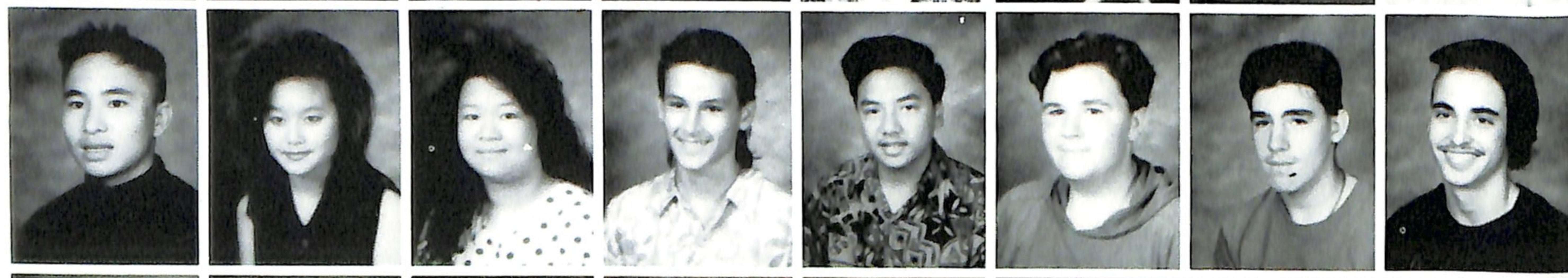
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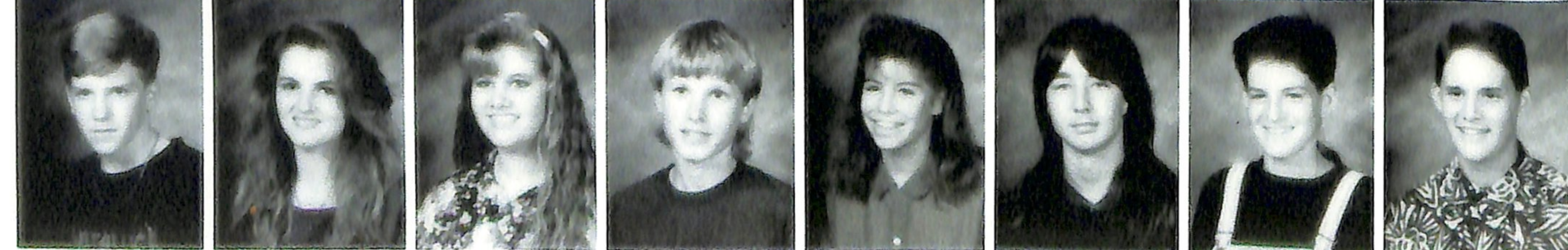
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Sandoval, Marisa
Santos, Jeremiah
Sapp, Cecilia
Saukko, Lisa
Sawyer, Holly
Scarrott, Timothy



Schlein, Aaron
Scholl, Janet
Schooley, Sarah
Schuetz, Erich
Sealice, Alexis
Seamans, Chris
Sellers, John
Schnars, Jason





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Problem With Your Locker SPACE THAT IS YOUR OWN

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Erin DeJauregui had already been introduced to our little critter friends the ants. "My locker has had ants for the past month. When I have to go to my locker I just glance at it then go back to class," replied Erin. The ants aren't the only thing stopping Erin from using his locker. "It's sometimes hard to open, I have to move it around alot for the combo to work."

Not all the lockers on campus have problems such as Erin's. Most lockers do have ants at some point in time, but a little Raid can cure that problem, and the ones that don't lock can easily be fixed. There isn't really much to complain about, at least we have lockers.

The bell rings as doors to classrooms fly open, students rush into the halls trying to weave their way through the masses of bodies trying to go to their classes and lockers, exchanging books, grabbing homework, and slamming their lockers shut as they rush to class. After the tardy bell rings and the halls are emptied, scattered papers lie about from the notebooks that didn't make it. Some lockers show traces of purse straps and jacket sleeves trapped in the doors of the lockers.

Lockers cause a few problems, such as time, messes, and locker jams. Most students experience the locker jam. Lockers jam anytime there is something stuck in the door, too much stuff is crammed inside or if something is stuck on the latch. Elealeh Russ was caught in the mad rush of locker stuffing. She commented, "The lockers are too crowded. If your locker gets stuck, you have to go to the office and wait until the janitor fixes it."

Paul Young feels that the problem doesn't lie in crowds, or locker jams. In his opinion, the lockers are too old. Paul says we need new lockers. Keith Balasia is quoted with the same opinion, "My locker in D-hall doesn't lock right."

Another problem is messy lockers. Lockers seem to accumulate more trash and become messier than closets and under the bed. Most people start off with books, then jackets, then anything that doesn't fit elsewhere. Then with a slam of the door, they are on their way.

Lockers aren't all bad. They are a place to express personal feelings. You can also leave messages and meet friends there. Most importantly, you can leave books and binders there while you are in another class. So when the bell rings and you rush through the masses to your locker, just try to remember to keep all your stuff out of the way so it doesn't jam.



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Shaner, Sabrina
Shannon, Russell
Shawa, Dana
Sheppard, Debbie
Sluder, Lisa
Smith, Amber

Smith, Dannyuelle
Smith, Holly
Smith, Jared
Smith, Latoeia
Smith, Marcus
Smith, Melony
Smith, Shelley
Snell, Sherry

Soga, Stephen
Solis, Byron
Solis, Ramses
Soriano, Gabriel
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Sotelo, Monica
Southernwood, Ruth
Stahlberger, Jonathan

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Steffen, David
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Stone, Robert
Stringfellow, Terrance
Supiping, Christine
Talbot, Jason
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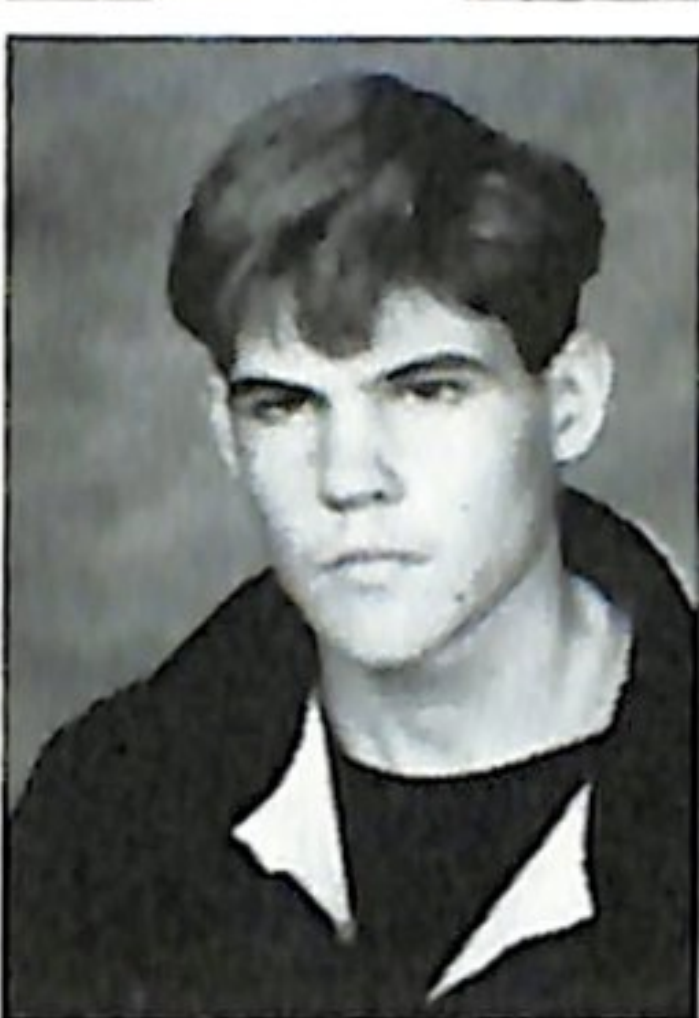
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Torres, Denise



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Totten, Jason
Toves, Gralyn
Townsend, Marie
Tozawa, Kazuki
Tsosie, Jeannie
Undrewood, David
Valtierra, Alicia



Valtierra, David
Vang, Hua
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Vaughan, Frank
Vaughan, Jamie
Veerkamp, Jennifer
Velando, Felicia
Victoria, Robert



Villalta, Rene
Vincent, Troy
Vitug, Cindy
Vizzini, Leza
Von Berg, Maria
Vorhes, Franklin
Wagenseil, Lisa
Walbolt, Edward



Walker, Patrick
Walker, Richard
Wallace, Kristin
Walsh, David
Walton, Robert
Ward, Chad
Ward, Kaiya
Warner, Douglass



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They pack their bags, grabbing their walkmans. Mom has her camcorder, and Dad has his temper. Other siblings are already fighting. Grandma has small candies, gum, and Kleenex clenched in the purse on her lap. They double check with the neighbors to make sure Fido and Fifi have enough food and water. They check the lights and lock the doors on their way out. They are on vacation.

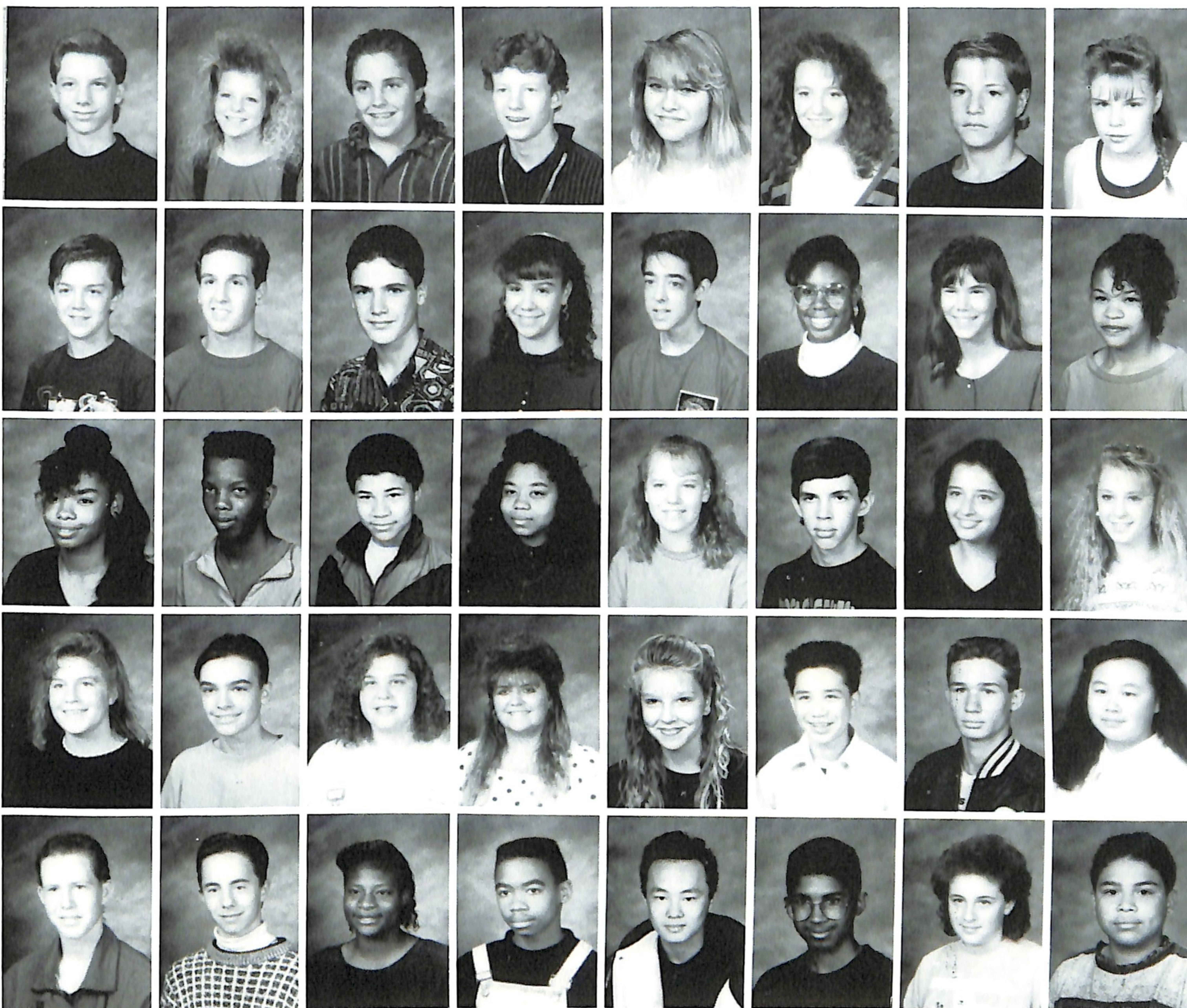
Vacation is their time to have fun, to relax, and to get away from it all. Little do they know, it may turn out to be a vacation disaster!

For Tina Lahmon, her family vacation started in disaster, but that didn't stop their fun. "Some people in front of us put on the brakes, so my sister put hers on and we started to skid. We skidded over one lane of traffic on I-5 and rolled the van into a ditch. Fortunately nobody was hurt."

Maria von Berg's family vacations seem to never turn out well. "We were driving home when I heard a loud bang. As I looked out the back window, I saw the top of the camper shell open. All of our clothes, suitcases and blankets flew down the highway behind us and hit other cars."

Most problems experienced on family vacations have to do with cars or weather. Sometimes it can be a combination of both. However, most people agree that even disasterous vacations usually turn out fun, and are remembered for years as a humorous experience. So next time your family vacation turns into a disaster, just remember that when it's all over you'll have a special memory that will last forever. In the meantime, just try to remember that everything will turn out fine in the end.

When Maria Von Berg was asked to describe one of her families worst vacations, her only reply was "Which one? All of our vacations are bad." Besides chasing clothes down a freeway, they have lost ice chests off their car, and have broken down numerous times. "Our vacations never turn out. If our stuff flies out on the freeway, it's cold and rainy. If it's hot, the pool is closed."



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Webber, Melissa
Weirich, Daniel
Welch, Wilfred
Wells, Mackenzie
Wendt, Jennifer
Westerlund, Frank J.
Westfall, Christina

White, Stephen
Whitton, Christopher
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Wood, John
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Wright, Kisha
Wroten, Maurice
Yang, Ly-Young
Young, Kenneth
Yukhtman, Julia
Zapata, Juan



Zutz, Paul



Aspen, Colorado is not only a place for skiing but also for other activities. During their summer vacation the Recknagel Family, Tom, Lynn, Shayne and Cristen, spent part of their summer vacation riding horseback in the mountains around Aspen.



▲ Jannes, Tami, Melanie, and Holly Ryan enjoy their vacation in Honolulu, Hawaii. Holly said, "It's different than anywhere else. The water is clear blue and everyone is friendly. We went on a glass bottom boat, learned hawaiian dances and went snorkeling. The fish would swim right up to you. It's a wonderful place."

In one word, the School's sports program could have been described as diversified. With a total of sixteen different school related sports represented, along with countless numbers of outside sports, we could honestly express enthusiasm when the games began. From talented young athletes, to extremely dedicated coaches, last year's seasons looked very promising.

Not only was the program diversified, but the size, gender and ethnicity of the athletes were too. Athletic Director and Varsity Baseball coach Dave Marshall was one of the many on the coaching staff that was excited about the season's various teams. Marshall said earlier this year, "If a student wants to participate in extra curricular activities, there is something here for them, regardless of size or anything else. There is something here for everyone." In fact, Bryan Smith, a senior power off of the Varsity Basketball team's bench, reflected on how nonjudgmental the other players actually were. "The comradery of the team really gave me more of a chance to motivate the starters than to envy them," he said

Dedication from the coaches to the students had been an extraordinary contribution to the success of many teams. Head coaches were more than willing to fundraise to give the teams extras like new uniforms and transportation. "If you take a look at our coaching staff," said Marshall, "you'll find that our coaches are thankful to get to work with the kids, and they give a great deal of extra effort to help them out."

Although there was an great amount of coaching support, the key was in the student athletes. "We can coach and coach, but without their effort to show up everyday, there wouldn't be much of any team for Armijo sports. Of the teams I coached this past year, their drive and determination were what kept them alive," said Coach Rocky Percy of the football and spring track teams. The spirit of the students to go out there and do their best was the critical factor for many winning seasons this year. The adopted attitude that "You've got to want it to win it!" rang throughout the athletes' ears and was that extra edge in their desire to take the gold.



Takin' The Gold



◆ After receiving the pass from the backfield, Joe Brown carries the ball down the field while defenders Kris Metz and Eric Sanabria protected their halfback's progress. Recalling the moment Joe Brown said, "When you're playing soccer there is not a lot of time to think, so you just play on experience and instinct."

◆ J. Evans, R. Gomes, C. Haggerty, M. Garver, E. James, D. Finlinson, M. Wagar, T. Regan, F. Wulsin, E. Sanabria, M. Hancock, E. Strecker, K. Metz, P. Wulsin, J. Brown, K. McNeil, A. Mendoza, L. Hernandez, J. Robles, J. Torres, M. Rodriguez, C. Vang



◆ Defense players need good thinking and quick reactions. Keith McNeil carries a ball that he stole. "I love defense because I can think of new ways to make a forward angry," he said.

◆ With Coach Evans' great knowledge of the game, he was able to teach his team the skills to become champions. He even sported a new look. "The last time I had a beard, we won the championship," he said.

◆ Throughout the year, Kris Metz played great defense against skillful opponents. "Soccer is a way for me to express tenacity and competitiveness," he commented. His energy was a valued contribution.



BACK ON TOP

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To improve the endurance of his team, Coach Jim Evans took the players on a running practice twice a week, which included a mile run and 4 quarter-mile sprints at the end. "Sometimes the run was exhausting, but it seemed worth the work," Jorge Torres said.

The Varsity later completed the first half of the regular season with a 7-0 record including a come-back victory against Napa 6-4. During the second half, Ar-

mijo won two narrow victories over Wood and Napa. They then won their first championship in twelve years with a 4-0 shutout over Fairfield. Coach Evans commented, "The first half of the season we scored goals and played good defense and the second half we didn't score as much, but played better defense." Eric James said, "I felt like crying after we clinched the championship."

After the M.E.L. season was over, the teams competed in Section play. Armijo played well in their first round, defeating Tokay from Stockton, but fell to Merced in the second round and was eliminated from Section play.

"Although we played our hearts out, Merced just beat us to the ball and had more shots," Pat Wulsin commented.

The hard work, determination, and commitment made the team champions. It gave the seniors something to be proud of and a chance for the juniors to do the same next year. "I'm disappointed because I'll probably never get to play with such great individuals, but who knows, we might one day represent the U.S. National Team," Joe Brown said. With this year's juniors, good sophomores, and a coach like Jim Evans, you can bet next years' varsity will be hungry for a back to back championship.

▼ Playing a wing forward requires speed and ball control. Carlo Marchessi demonstrates these qualities. "It was great being part of the team and even better to be undefeated," he said.



Sidelines



The flip throw-in is unique. This remarkable act is done by Chao Vang who can execute this play beautifully to help his teammates score. "You can tell Chao's throw-in is a little different than you normally see. It often resulted in an Armijo goal because of the distance Chao could throw." Coach Evans explained of Chao's action. This summer Chao will take his skills and throw-in to Europe. He will join other players from California to play for the East-West team that is scheduled to tour Europe and play against teams from various countries.



◆ Soccer is a game of control. Pat Wulsin keeps the Vallejo player away from the ball. Pat explained, "All I could think about was pulling out one more win for the perfect season."

◆ Beating opponents is not always easy, but with a move or two, Eric Strecker can shoot past any opponent. Eric commented, "My first concern was getting to the goal, then I knew it was either take a shot or dish it off."

◆ K. Tozawa, N. Cano, R. McGurk, J. Strain, J. King, M. Burke, T. Ortiz, O. Rodriguez, J. Cooley, J. Lopez, K. Hirai, B. O'Neil, C. Van Veen, S. Phan,

R. Finkas, S. Christianson, T. Phillips, A. Kessler, K. Metz, T. Gallentine, K. Payaslian, A. Cyr, G. Millan, E. Alva.

◆ Todd Phillips showed his ability to clear the ball to the strike forwards successfully. "Keeping the ball in motion is an important factor in preventing a steal," said Todd.

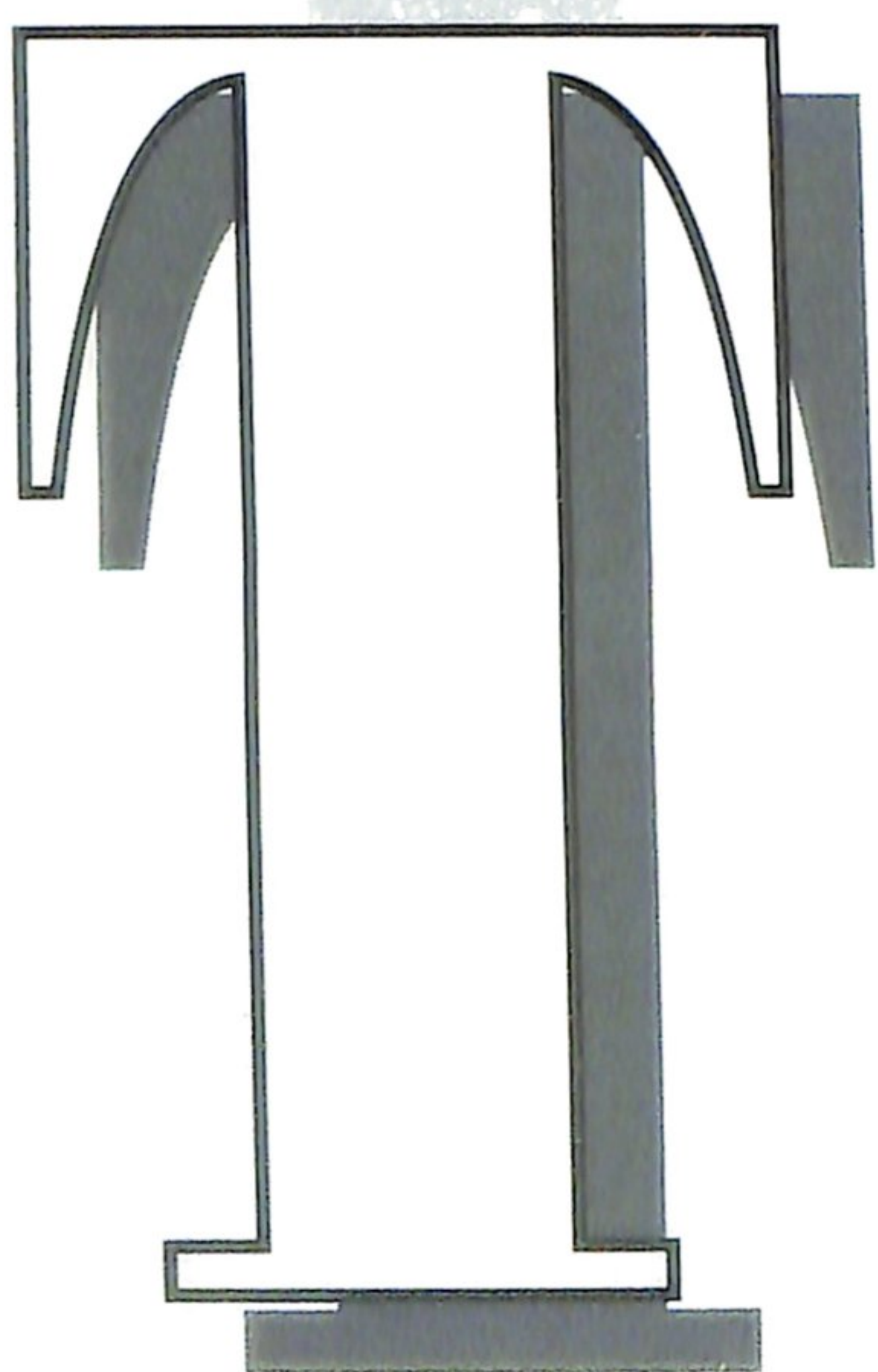


◆ The team had a wall for a goalie, Joe Strain, who only let eleven balls get past him. "The defense helped me out a lot this year. We all worked well together against opponents," said Joe.

◆ With great determination and balance, Sophomore Michael Burke intercepted a pass. Jeremy King spoke of Michael's actions. "It was a split second decision. If he had thought about it a second more, it would have passed him by."



KICKIN' IT



The Junior Varsity Soccer team started out at a slow pace, losing their first three games. Freshman Shawn Christianson remarked, "We had a strong defense but our offense was inconsistent, mainly because we had a weak midfield." Coach Tony Ortiz noticed this weakness and reorganized the team, making it stronger. Once they began league play, they started winning, and did not stop!

Of the twenty-one games, with an overpowering offense and an aggressive defense, the team won seven shutouts. They powered their way past opponents scoring forty-eight goals and only allowed eleven to get past them. "After getting back on our feet, the power and teamwork of our offense and defense allowed us to surpass

opponents," replied Sophomore Kris Payaslian. They then went on to win M.E.L. with a league record of ten wins, one tie, three losses and an overall record of thirteen wins, five ties, three losses. "We plan to win two more years in M.E.L. (if not more) and go further into sections. In the next three years, our team will become stronger than it ever has been," commented Sophomore Casey Van Veen.

That common goal, shared by the team, has enabled them to work more effectively as a unit. "We had a really good team this year which pretty much dominated all opposing teams. There were no standouts, as everyone worked equally hard for the benefit of the team," said Coach Tony Ortiz.





▼ Katsuto Hirai showed his skill with the ball. "Despite Katsuto's difficulty with understanding English, he was a strong player and a good teammate," said Ryan Finkas.



Sidelines



It has been three years since a girl has gone out for Junior Varsity Soccer, made the team, and stuck it out until the season was over. Sophomore, Aimee Kessler was the name behind that reputation. She was the female athlete who contributed to the winning season this year. Some might think that being the only female on the team, she would be treated differently, but she says that was a misconception. "In the beginning I generally was treated equal, although I received some criticism and felt out of place. Once I got to know the guys, I felt at ease and ready to play soccer!"



◆ Winning a game required a lot of endurance, which the Junior Varsity displayed. "Although we were worn out, we pushed on and won the game," commented Theo Gallentine.

▲ Kirk Metz executed a powerful header as the team defeated cross-town rival, Fairfield. Kirk commented, "Headers have always been a good defensive measure to move the ball forward quickly and without wasting time."

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he whistle blows, the players scramble, and the water polo game begins. In the early thirties the opposing team's players attempted to obtain possession of the ball by seizing the ball carrier, wrestling with him under water and then rendering him helpless from loss of breath. Since then, the game has changed considerably, but the same determination and display of brute force was seen in the water polo team. This year, as in the past, members of the Junior Varsity team also played on the Varsity team. Nevertheless, both teams played extremely well and the new experience obtained this year will bring guaranteed success for next year's water polo team.

Although the team may not have had as many victories as it had anticipated, it came very close to going to the Northern California Sections. "We may not have captured the section title, but we played well, learned more strategies and new moves, practiced good teamwork, and had a lot of fun.", says four year veteran Joel Takeuchi.

The team's members all played well, having no one player that held the team. Coach Wayne Henderson stated that he was happy with the more balanced polo team. He felt that there was not a player that stood out and that all of the team's members put in a good year. This year's team also seemed to get along well with each other and cooperated. Team member Robert Harris said, "The team came out with a great attitude towards the sport. There was more teamwork and less trying to be a hero."

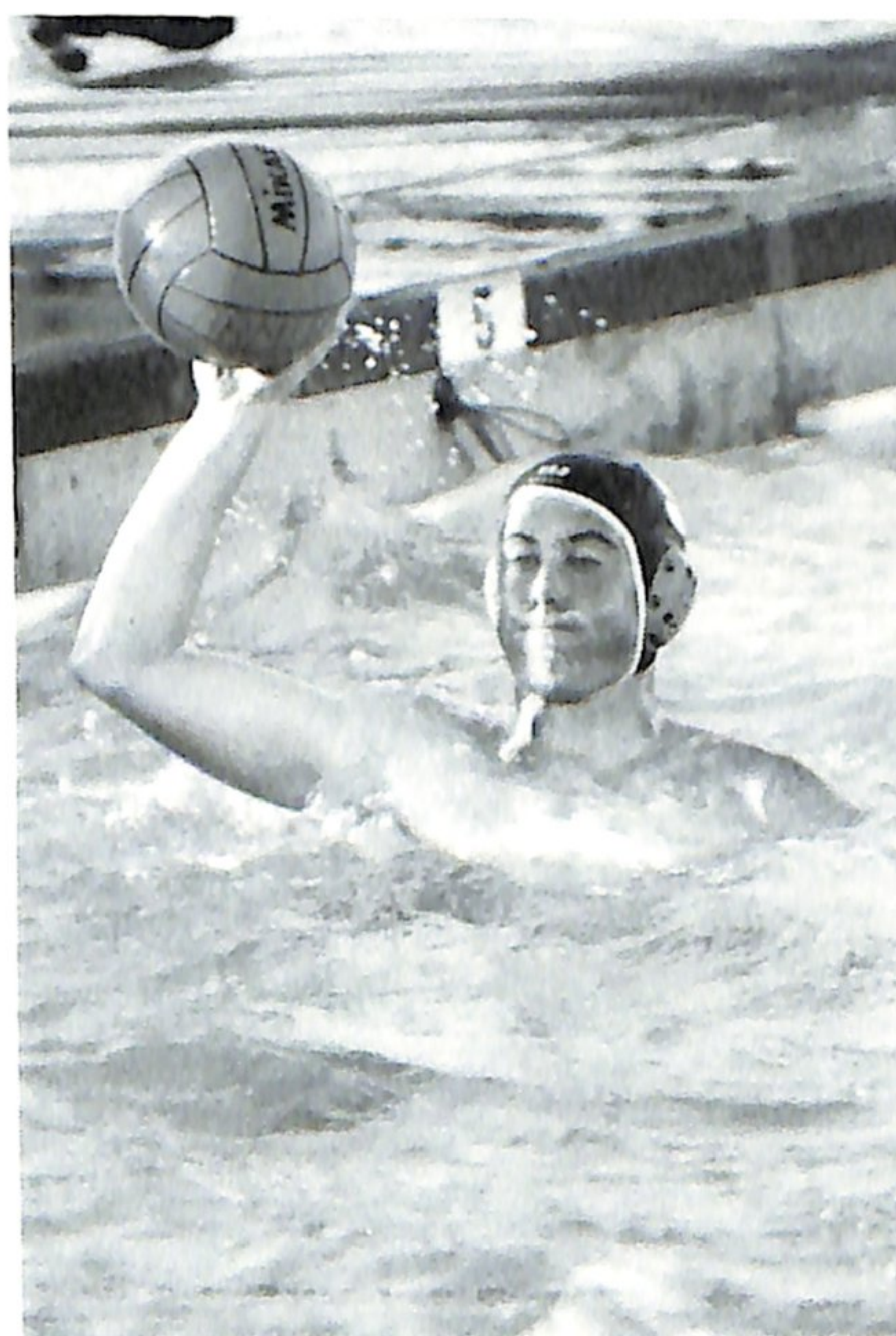
The team did well at all of the tournaments they went to, but they played the best at the Contra Costa tournament, placing second. "I thought that it was a good tournament to play at and I learned a lot," said freshman Donnie Hooper.

The team had its ups and its downs, but with the help of Coach Henderson and the new experience of the players, along with their commendable dedication, future teams are sure to make a lot of waves and dominate a lot of games.

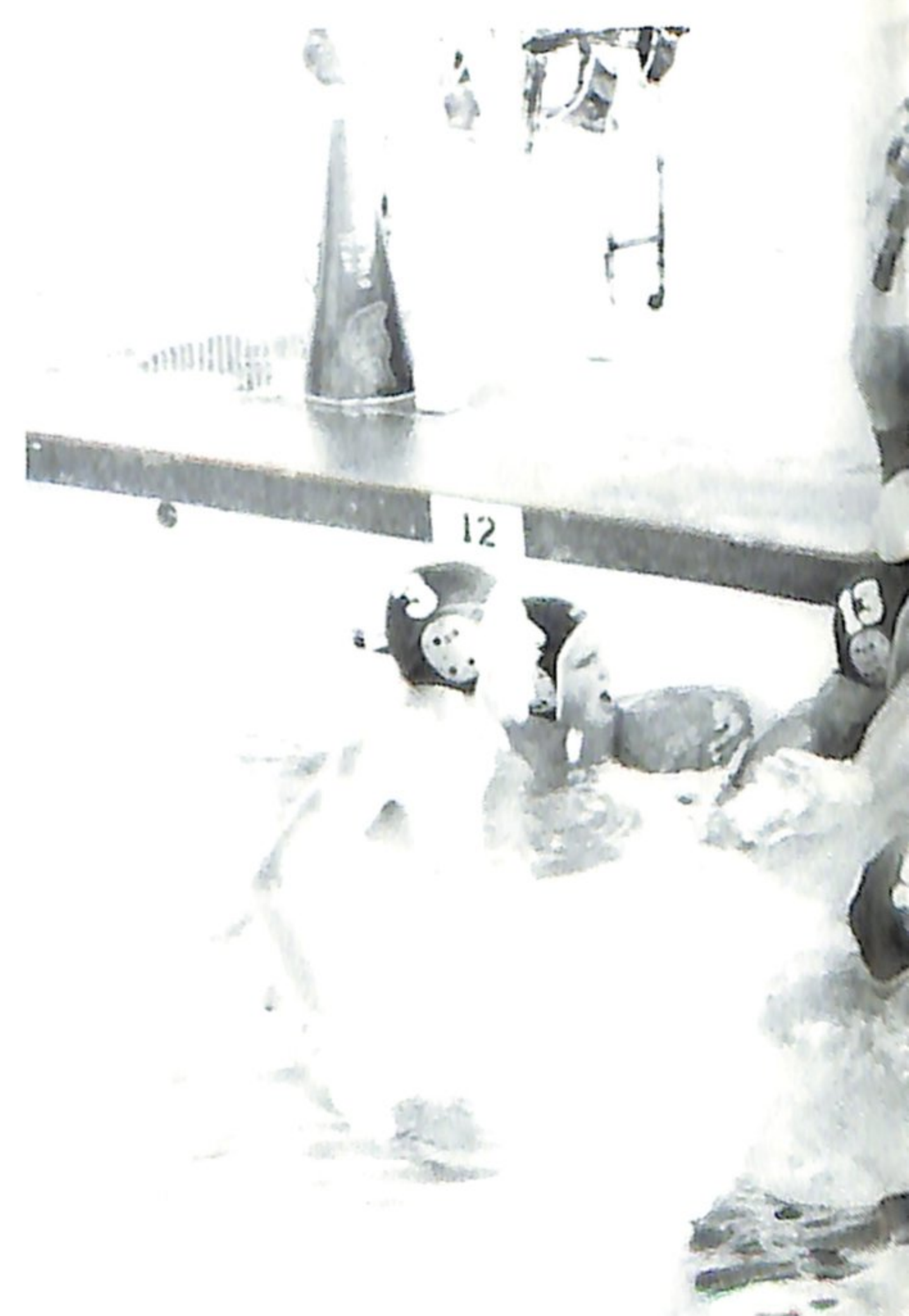


▲ M. O'Boyle, F. Watson, J. Stalberger, R. Bouley, T. Clement, D. Hooper, M. Long, E. Smith, R. Harris, M. Emerick, T.J. Whipple, J. Stevens.

▲ Not only were the players able to work together to pull off a great season, but the team also came through with close friendships formed.



▲ Fred Watson passes the ball to an open teammate and assists in scoring a goal. "I like the way the team got along and cooperated with each other this year."





♦ Junior Mike O'Boyle outwits his rival by tossing the ball over his head to a fellow teammate. "Sometimes it's hard to keep them away from you. It takes a lot of energy and quick thinking," Mike said.

♥ Water polo is a very fast paced, intense game that requires players to be alert and aware of their surroundings at all times. "You have to be ready for anything at any given moment," said Mike Emerick.

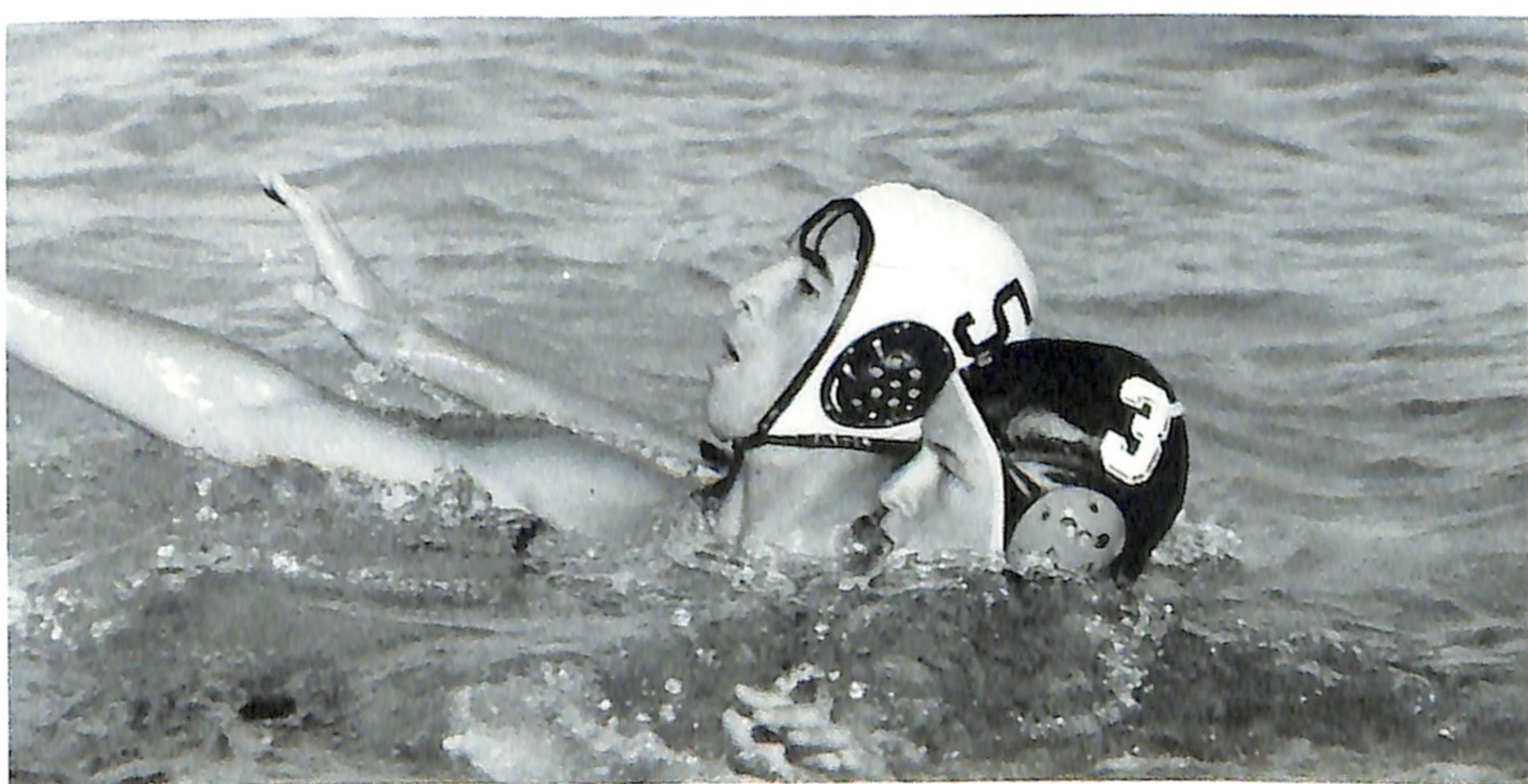


♦ Eric Smith models the latest in water polo attire. Most of the action takes place on the surface of the water but, a lot of underwater kicking and jabbing goes unnoticed. "You would be surprised if you knew how much illegal activity took place under water," Eric said.

Sidelines



One of water polo's greatest assets, Matt Long, played yet another great season. Matt, who has played on the varsity team since his freshman year, and has been a starter since his junior year, is noted for his speed in the water and his outstanding defensive ability. "I felt that we had a good season and I hope that next year we will take the MEL title," Matt said. The water polo team is in agreement that Matt Long is essential in putting the team over the top. The overall feeling is that his optimistic attitude helped to keep the team in good spirits during the games when they needed it. "He always kept a cool head and a hopeful outlook on the situation," said Fred Watson. Matt will be back next year and ready for action. Our opposing schools to have reason to worry.



♦ Coaching is important because it keeps the team updated on how they can improve. Coach Henderson keeps the moral high and offers advice. "Coach Henderson is great at keeping up our spirit during a rough game," said Joel Takeuchi.

♣ Matt Long closely guards his opponent while at the same time tries to obtain possession of the ball. "You have to be quick in the water and be able to stick close to your opponent," said Matt.

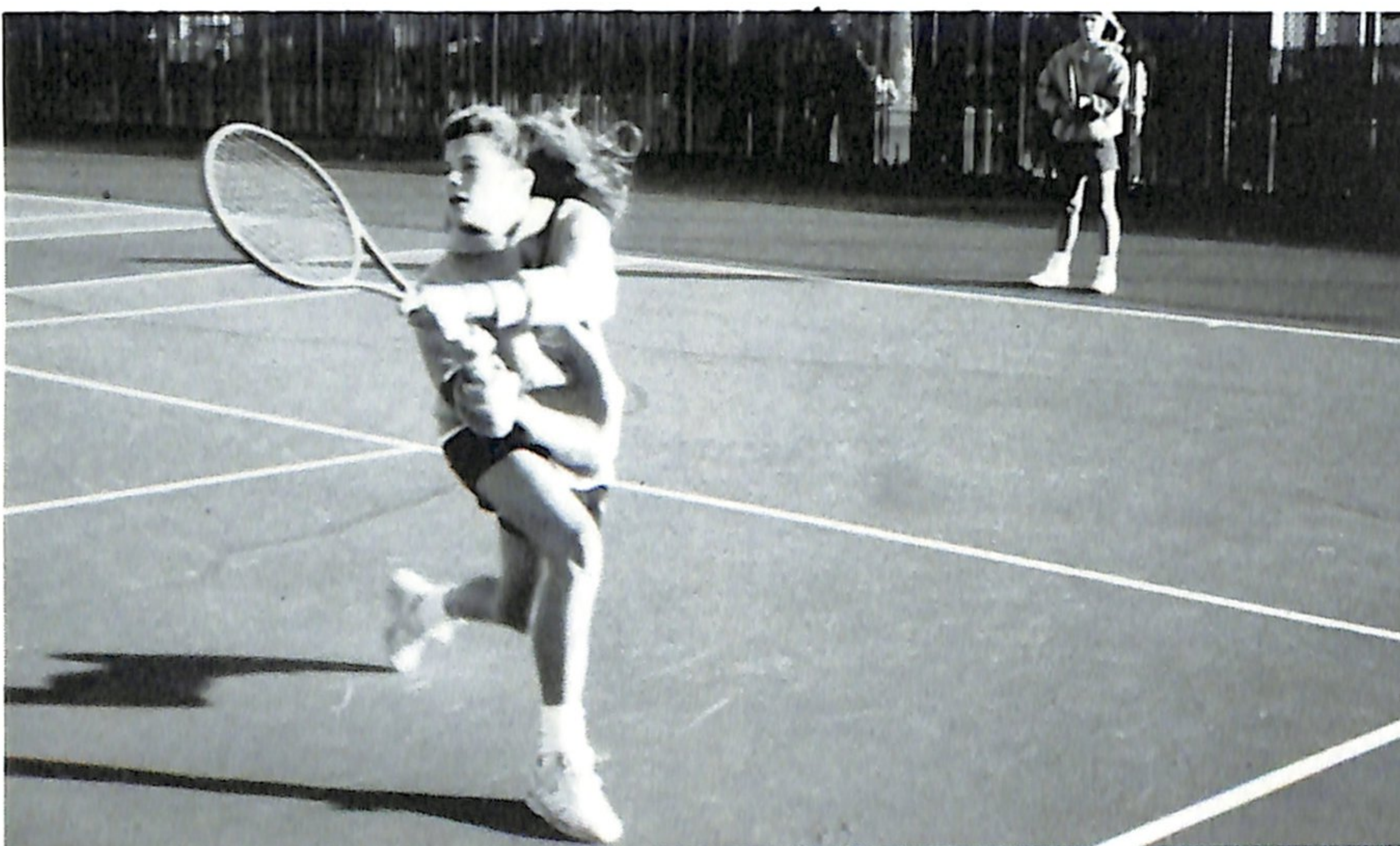
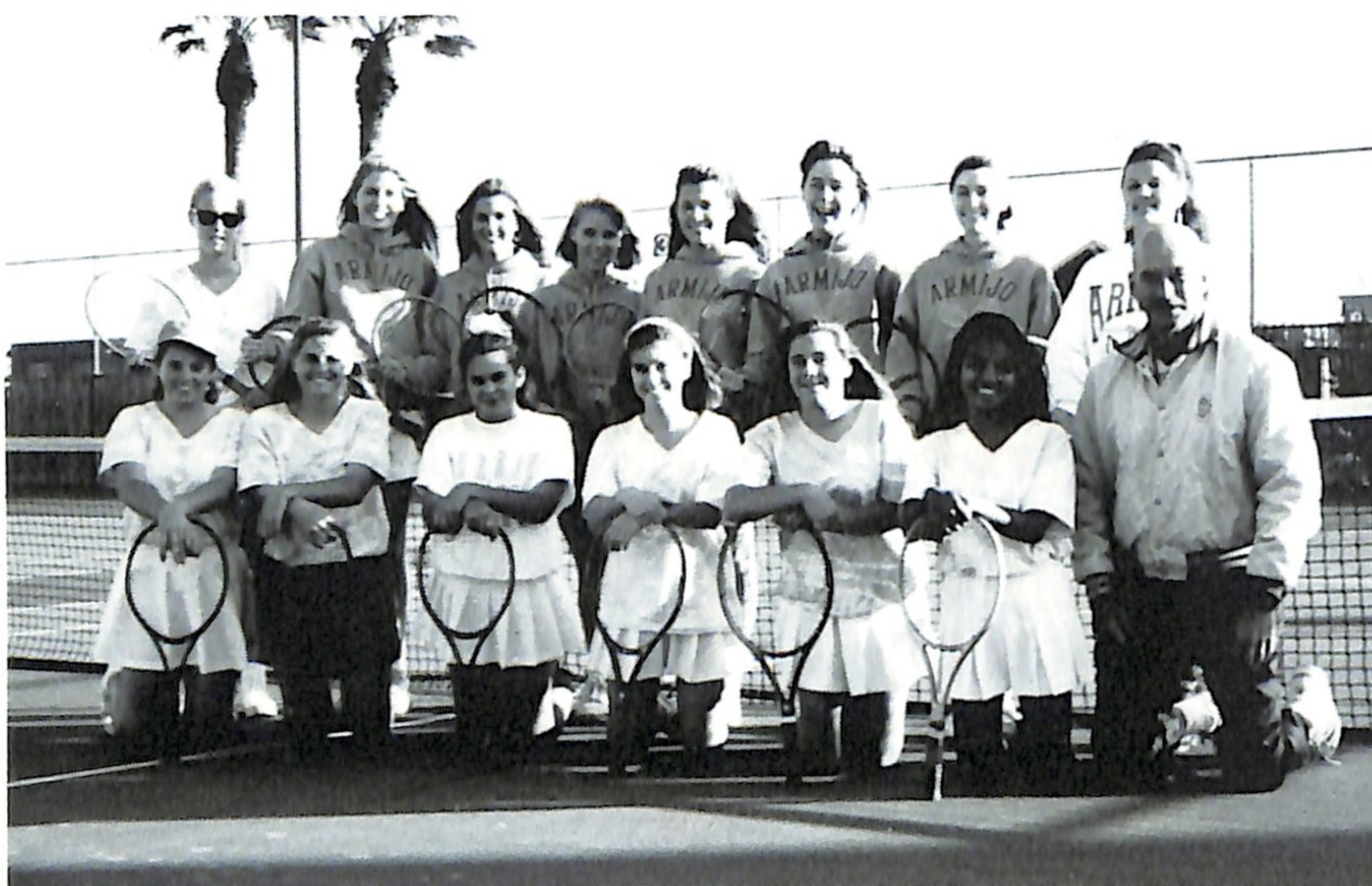
♥ Christine Herrera recovers from a powerful forehand. She said, "Being one of the youngest players on the team, I know I'll get better. It was great being part of such a positive winning experience."



♦ With a kick in her step, Cristen Recknagel hits a killer backhand. "My backhand is my best shot. I work hard to intimidate my opponents with it." Cristen said.

♥ B. Canaday, L. Freer, A. Freer, L. Cole, C. Recknagel, D. Smith, B. Briggs, R. Giles, L. Moore, J. Briggs, C. Herrera,

A. Gemmer, J. Moy, A. Valencia, B. Fuller, (not pictured) C. Fell, C. Schwarcz, K. Mauldin, and M. Bautista.



IT'S A RACKET!



irls tennis may not draw huge crowds and cheerleaders, but the drive and determination necessary to win prevailed this year and helped them hold their own. Being in the Monticello Empire League, the team has remained undefeated for five consecutive years. This year, the team continued the tradition of winning and quietly climbed its way to the top. A record of 14 wins and zero losses is an accomplishment to be proud of, and number one player Janie Briggs helped set the pace for the whole team. Janie did not drop a set during a league match. She readily admitted that you have to work hard to win. "What contri-

buted to or success is that we took each game as it came, never assuming we'd win," she said. This attitude was shared by all and it helped the team get the job done.

The M.E.L. banner hangs in the gym as a mark of the team's hard work and individual strength that not only paid off this past year but also previous years. The team's fourth ranked player Lindsay Moore sheds a different light on the topic, "There was always that extra added pressure of having to be 'the best.' People don't realize that there's more hanging over our heads. It's as if we're expected to win." The team felt they did their best and that it was

truly a job well done.

The girl's tennis trademark is expected carry on and prove successful for many years to come. When the second ranked player, Barbie Briggs, was asked about the potential of the team, she said she had high hopes for her remaining two years. "I hope we keep the tradition alive and remain a powerhouse!"

For those who are leaving this year, a common sadness was shared. Lisa Freer commented, "It's hard to say goodbye to something so good." Then again, it always is.



◆ "It was cool being a partner with Cristen. We complemented each others games with different strengths and weaknesses," reflects Laura Cole. Laura's serve was a key to their doubles partnership.

◆ During the first rally of the 1991-92 school year, the team showed the entire student body one of the things that made them unique. They performed "Synchronized Tennising" to Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.



◆ Lunging forward, Amy Gemmer hits a forehand passing shot. On leaving the team, Amy departs with sadness. "I am really distraught about leaving the team. It was one of the most positive influences in my high school career."

◆ Becky Canaday and Lindsay Moore congratulate each other on a well deserved win. "Becky and I've played doubles in previous years. We know what it takes to win," said Lindsay.

Sidelines



Janie Briggs is one of those few high school athletes that is an inspiration to all. She has a unique dedication to the sport of tennis that lead her on the pathway of success. Clinching many trophies and esteemed titles along the way, Janie achieved one of her many goals this past year. In the Northern California Tennis Association girls 18's division, she was ranked number eleven. She will pursue her passion and play next year, on scholarship, at St. Mary's College. Perhaps this young athlete will be the next Monica Seles, "Even though sometimes I think I'm being unrealistic, I'll never give up my dream to turn pro."

PLAYING FOR KEEPS

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he cheers, excitement, and the challenge that come with playing football is what a football player looks forward to on the night of a game. Senior Chris Wilhite said, "All the hard work paid off once I got on the field and started to play." Actual game time was a fulfilling reward after hours of demanding practices.

For the varsity team, football wasn't just a game of tackling, running, and crushing, it was a game of persistence and endurance. The team held their heads high with pride and proved that their dedication would produce a more dominate team. "As an individual and a team we had to make a commitment to show up for practice everyday and just try our best," said Senior Keith Raymond.

Although the team dedicated

their time to help improve this year's varsity team, they still had some difficulty. Junior Sean Clements said, "The defense needs to practice at getting stronger at the corners and the offense needs to pass the ball more often." Nevertheless, the team did become stronger by making a 3-7 comeback, winning their first game in nine games. They felt they had accomplished a great deal because of positive attitude and encouraging fans. The defense really did a good job at stopping other teams when they got near the goal line. The offense had some good running backs," said Coach Clark.

Playing as a team is an important part of playing football. "The team this year worked towards coming together more, but still there were times when someone

tried to do something individually," said Junior Gabe Ross. Some players felt that giving their all was the most effective contribution to this year's success. As a whole though, the team's ability to get along was the key to turning a "group of guys" into a united team.

The varsity football team began the season with complete commitment and dedication. The goal they all shared was to be the best they could be. Each team member had pride in what they did and in each other. "Despite our record, I feel we did 100% better because we had more talent and a better attitude," said Senior Mike Green. With the team's enthusiastic outlook, the upcoming season looks hopeful.

◆ A patient Coach Clark speaks with Vince Dostal, Bob Bailey and Chris Wilhite on how to make the next offensive play work. Coach Clark said, "Boys, you know how to run the plays, so do it."



◆ Mike Green closes in on a Fairfield runner. He said, "I realized that if I didn't stop him he would get the first down." His ability to outrun his opponents helped the teams defense.



◆ A. Yoseph, K. Lewis, R. Bailey, T. Goetchis, V. Dostal, S. Ravencraft, J. Patterson, M. Nigro, J. Seigford, G. Ross, M. Vanguardia, N. Emmons, I. Elturk, M. Green, O. Shaheed-Ali, M. Northern, A. Skinner, A. Paler, G. Stinchcomb, J. Gilbert, A. Elturk, C. Butterfield, Clark, K.

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◆ Once again Gabe Ross cleverly evades the opposing blockers. He has quickly proven himself to be a dominating runner and will be back next year. "I was on most of the tackles and that made me feel good," said Ross.



◆ While playing against Will C. Wood, Tracy Goetchis looks to deliver a handoff. "I think more dedication will help improve our team for next year. We played hard and we came a long way," Tracy said.

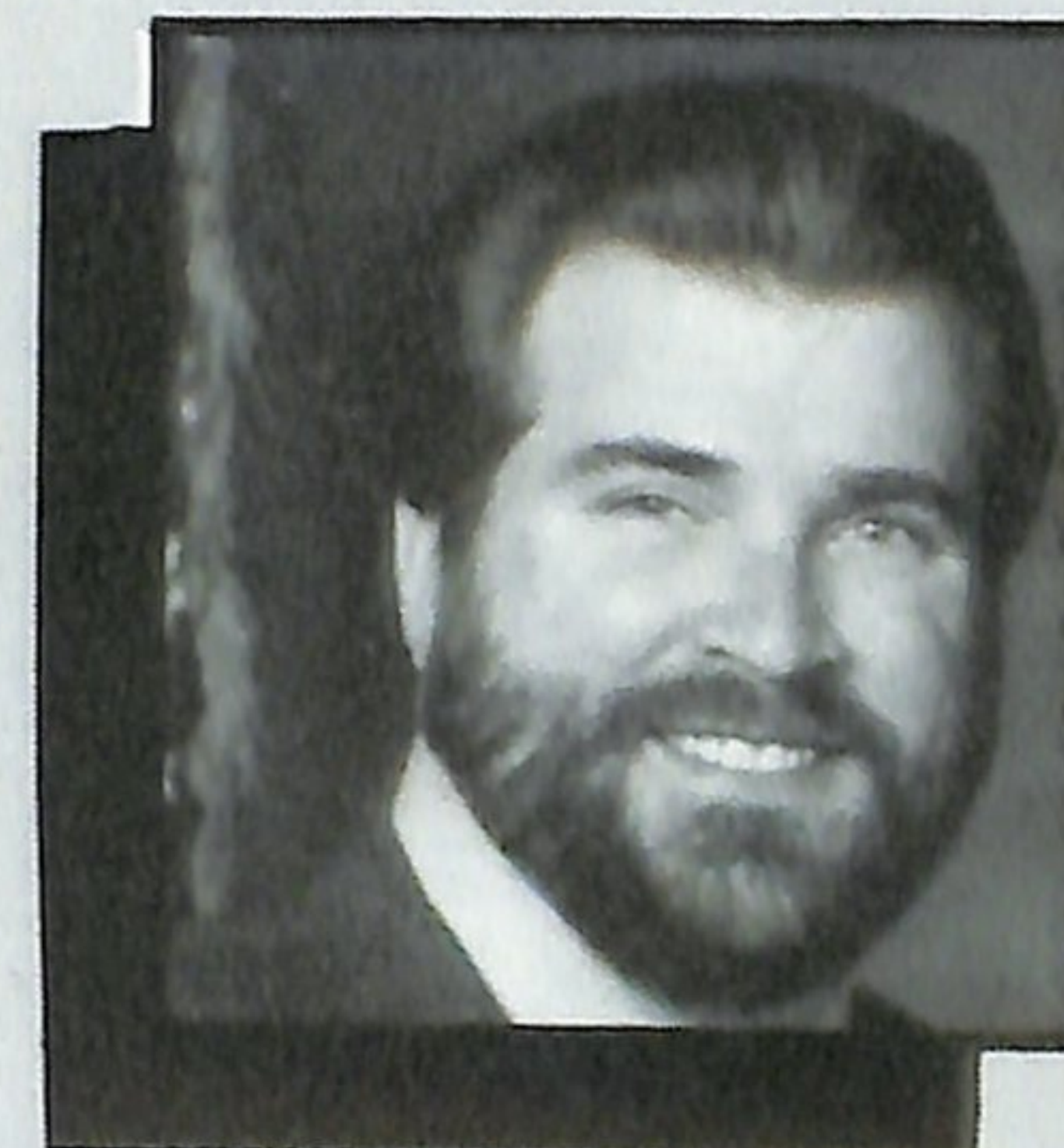
◆ Armijo's leading rusher, Melvin Northorn, has his eyes set on the end-zone as he leaves a Fairfield player behind. "I tried to do good for the team by staying healthy," said Northorn.



◆ As a referee signals a touchdown, Josh Patterson celebrates at the endzone. "The team could have given up very easily but the determination we had helped us stay together," said Patterson.

◆ An injured Robert Bailey, Keith Raymond, and Omar Shaheed-Ali celebrate along with the rest of the team. "It felt pretty nifty to win a game, but being injured was a downer," said Keith Raymond.

Sidelines



When it comes to playing football many people think of the player and are unaware of the supportive group of people who stand by throughout the season. One of the many supporters in this group is administrator and parent Mr. Bob Bailey. As a father of one of our players, Mr. Bailey feels that, "involvement with the team is good because they get more encouraged and know that there are people who like what they are doing."

Mr. Bailey had a love for football long before he came to Armijo. After graduating from James Campbell High School in Hawaii, he attended college with a scholarship for football. Later, he came to Armijo and coached football for five years. Since Mr. Bailey has recently become the father of a baby boy, he will be attending football games as a parent supporting a son for years to come.

STARTIN' EARLY

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ootball: one word that means pride, dedication, and an unbelievable will to survive. A game made for warriors, football gives a sense of accomplishment for the players and a rush of excitement that students need to put off thoughts of schoolwork on Friday nights. For the team, Friday night was more than a time to forget assignments, it was a period of severe concentration on the contest ahead. The Freshman and Junior Varsity teams started early on their road to success.

Junior Varsity always played a game worth watching. "I think that in our first six games we were improving, but in our last four we did not play up to our full ability," said Coach Tim Falkenstein. Despite their record of two and eight, the Junior Varsity team dug in and hung on, giving the game

their best. "Most of our games were close. I think we just needed a little more mental preparation," said Freshman Louis Bardis who played offensive lineman and defensive lineman.

"When they first started they were O.K.," said Coach Howard Hill, of the Freshman football team. "As the season went on, they became better. I am very proud of them and I wish them all the best for the future." Achievement is a word that describes the season for the Freshman football team. With an outstanding record of seven and two, they showed that they could play the game well. Freshman Diallo Lee learned about determination and perseverance. Diallo said, "It was my first experience working as a team and I couldn't have asked for a better way to learn self-disci-

pline."

Not only is football a physical challenge, but it is also very motivational and disciplinary. At the football awards ceremony, Varsity Head Coach Gregg Clark said, "Football is a mental game. The game is ninety percent mental and ten percent physical. You have to prepare yourself mentally to play a physical game." This year the teams learned from their experiences that their mind set does make a difference. Coach Clark also said that he is looking forward to seeing the players next year, and with their new determination the next season should be promising. The summer will allow the team to get its' strengths together for an awesome upcoming year.

◆ At the start of the down, freshman players seem to be anxiously awaiting the snap. "Our season went well due to our good coaches and their disciplined training," said player Dwayne Stevens.



◆ J.V. player Letroi Smith smoothly catches the ball. "I think that in the next football season we will do better, I know that our team has it in their heart," said Letroi.



◆ N. Creech, R. Norris, E. Perry, J. Barngraff, L. Bardis, T. Aguilar, J. Antonovich, V. Williams, K. Peterson, G. Pin Pin, R. Morgan, B. Brown, J. Gilbert, T. McPherson, R. Percy, T. Falkenstein, M.

Williams, J. Bailey, A. Elturk, K. Palar, A. Palar, B. Parker, M. Eleopoulos, J. Reb, D. Moraidad, A. Costa, P. Adams, S. Blazer, S. Barstow, E. Soriano, T. Smith, R. Carrera, K. Bell, V. Mendez, J. Wida.





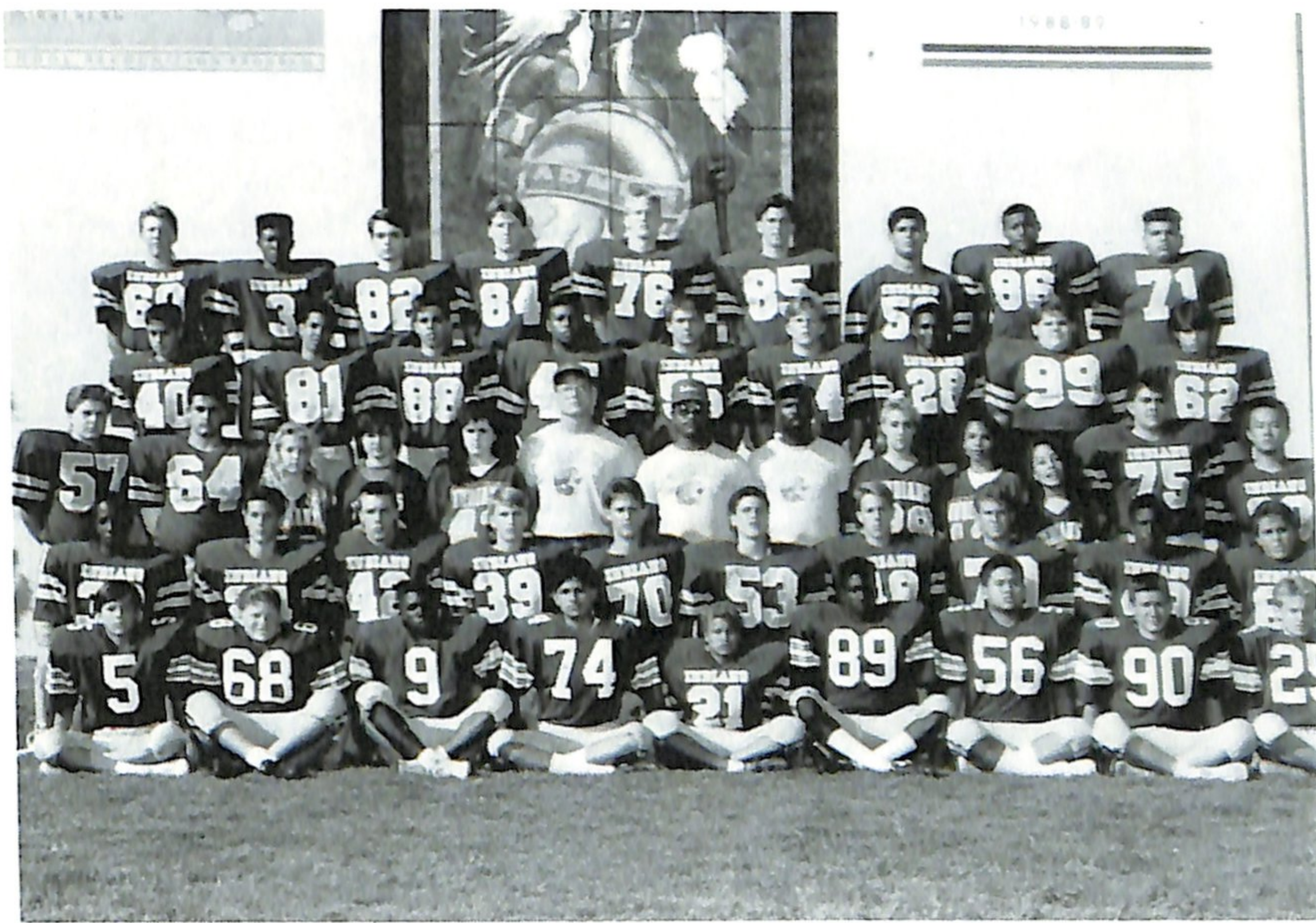
♦ J.V.'s Kevin Bell blocks for Jake Barngraff so he could set himself for the toss. "It makes me feel good just to know that for each game we went out there with the guts to make it a good one," said Jake.

♥ Always ready and set, the freshman team stands on the sideline watching the plays with anticipation. "I can not wait until we get to play Varsity. I am nervous because of expectations, but we will dominate," Robert Lentz said.



♥ C. Goodsell, A. Robinson, R. Russell, D. Gaither, C. Thomsen, R. Flegal, J. Jansen, D. Kendricks, T. Nicholson, J. Reza, J. Laue, J. Alexander, D. Lee, J. Broussard, J. Jacoby, T. Lewis, J. McIntosh, J. Bakkie, J. Palacky, C. Cassidy, B. Brown, A. Elturk, T. McPherson, W. Collie, M. Gildon, H. Hills, J. Bailly, K.

Paler, A. Paler, S. Jonas, Y. Ly-Young, L. Chatman, R. Foy, R. Lentz, D. Stevens, J. Schnars, J. Wickham, J. George, R. Shannon, J. Hill, D. Weirich, C. Bubak, B. Lynn, J. Ezell, R. Perez, J. Perez, C. Neal, J. Reynon, S. Womack, J. Ensley.



♦ Taking a quick time out to get the team pumped up, Coach Tim Falkenstein motivates the J.V. offense. "I really feel that this year's J.V. players are well prepared to play Varsity," said Coach.

♦ Junior Varsity's Andre Robinson cuts through the line to gain yardage for a first down. "When we were so close to the end zone, all I could think of was making it to the goal line with power," said Andre.

Sidelines



Jovan Ezell plans to continue playing for Junior Varsity next year and hopes to play on the Varsity team in the future. After that, he would like to go on to college football and try to reach the professional level. "Jovan was one of our most inspirational players. He put the team at ease, listened very well and got the job done when called upon," stated Coach Howard Hills. With the dream of building a better future for himself, Jovan continues to concentrate on each and every skill he has attained in his first year of play. In his next three years at Armijo, he "plans on making a point to improve our football program to a dominating one," he said.

A ROYAL TRADITION



Homecoming has always been a time for uplifted spirit and loads of fun. This year's celebration was no exception. Homecoming Week saw a variety of themes being displayed about campus: College sweatshirts, Hippies, Pajamas, Purple and Gold, and Halloween costumes.

The night of the Homecoming game, students also dressed up in a spirited fashion. Sheri Pace joined in the fun wholeheartedly by dressing up. "A group of friends and I decided to dress up as rockers from different time periods. Because I already had the sides of my head shaved, I decided to spike my hair and go as a punk. People walked by and totally laughed, a lot stared too. I really enjoyed myself."

Armijo Man was introduced at the Homecoming game, the brainchild of Eric James. "I wanted to do something original, since the body painting idea I used last year had been exploited I came up with something new. The goal of Armijo Man was to promote spirit at games and rallies. I would like to see Armijo Man become a legacy for the future generations," explained Eric.

A presentation of floats were made by each class. The seniors were the winners with their interpretation of 'A Season of Surprises'. "The float showed the senior's creativity and spirit and it was a well deserved win," commented Daelin Spering after the game.

As Jeannette Guerra and Jill

Dineen, the announcers for the evening took the stand, tension rose among all. The Homecoming court was presented: Freshmen, Dwayne Stevens and Carrie Batson; Sophomores, Vince Mendez and Barbara Hodge, Juniors, Kenny Martin and Lara Hall. Senior attendants were Pat Wulsin and Terrea Williams. Tony Blair and Sasha Landis were crowned King and Queen.

Sasha reflected afterwards, "I was so surprised! As fate would have it, both my mother and grandmother were Homecoming Queens their senior years of high school. It seemed so amazing to me that I had followed in their footsteps. It was a wonderful feeling." This feeling of "wonder" is what Homecoming is all about.

◆ Vince Mendez, Casey Vanveen, Kenny Martin, Robert Bailey, and Keith Caulfield wait anxiously as the nominees' names are called as they walk to their seat where they wait for what lies ahead.

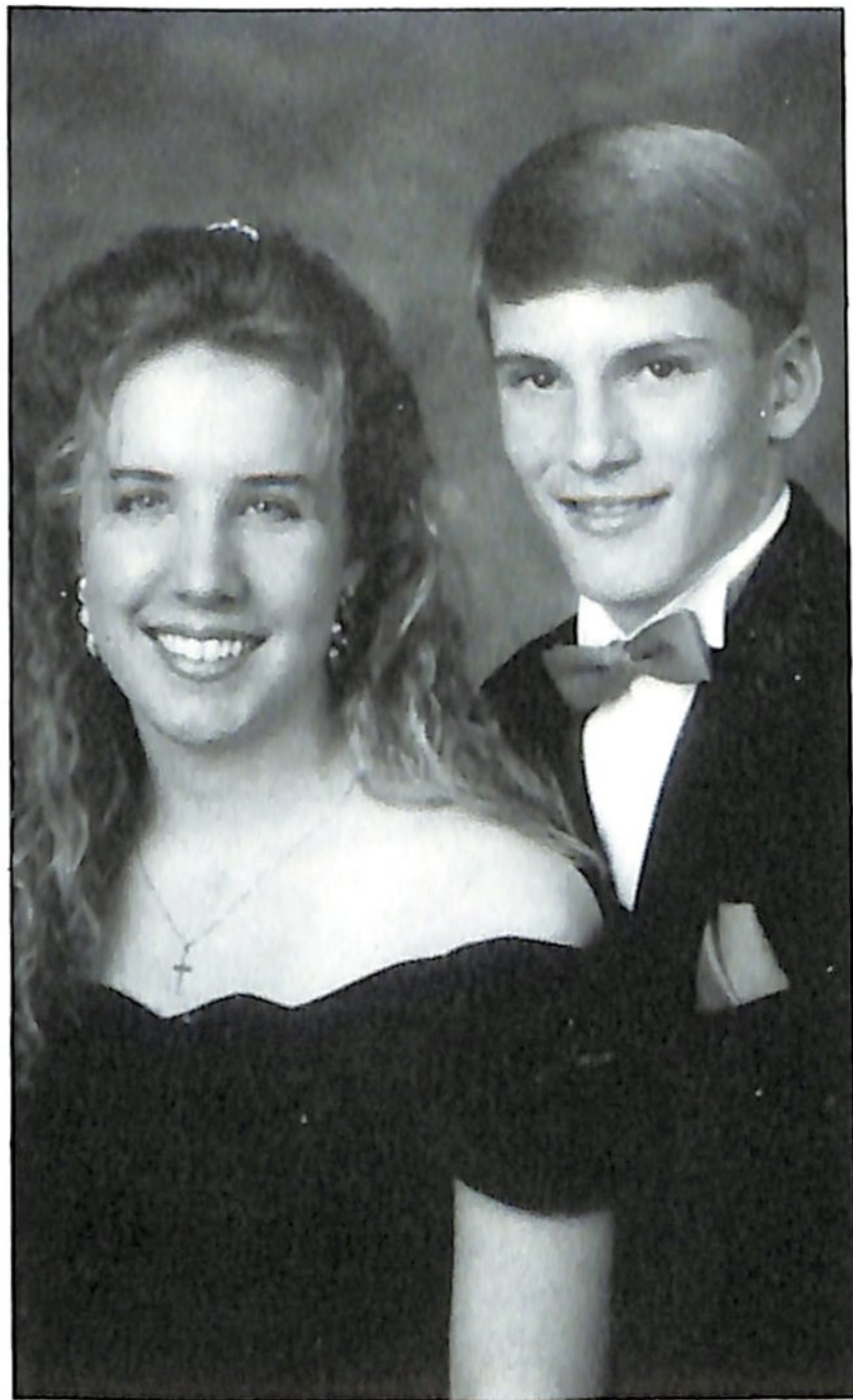
◆ Heather Ramey inspired everyone with her lovely version of the National Anthem. "I love to perform in front of an audience. When I hear the applause I know all of my hard work was worth it," said Heather.



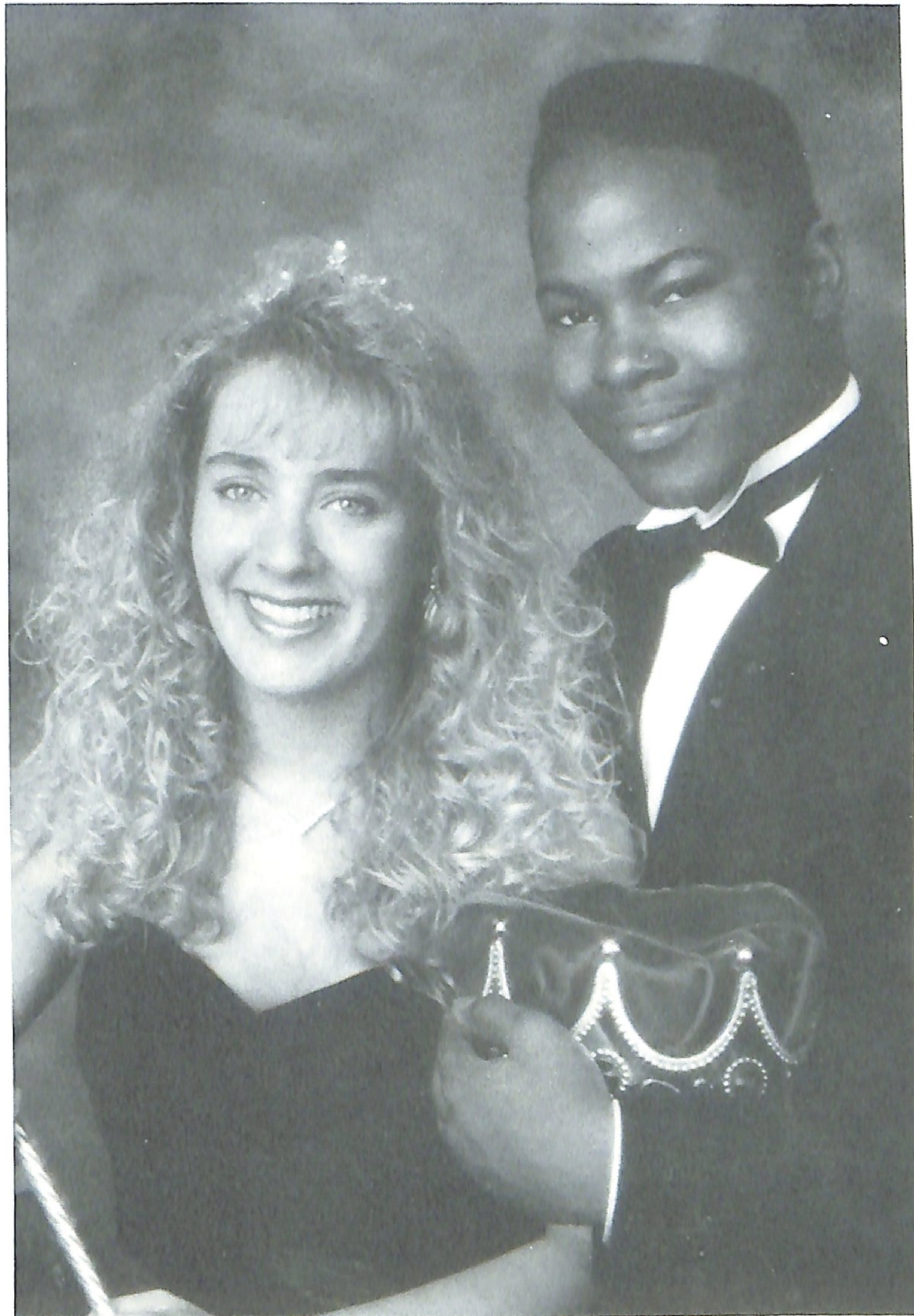
◆ The gym gets very chaotic on the morning of football Homecoming. Becky Canaday, Johanna McKenzie and Laura Cole were just a few of the people that kept themselves busy decorating for the morning rally.



◆ Carrie Batson and Dwayne Stevens were the Freshmen attendants. Carrie's message to society was, "Peace, love and happiness." Dwayne said, "Always keep 'a can do' attitude in all walks of life."



◆ Barbara Hodge and Vincent Mendez were the Sophomore attendants. Barbara's message to society was, "Hope for the best, prepare for the worst and take what comes." Vince said, "No matter what you do or lose in life, you'll always have your dreams and friends."

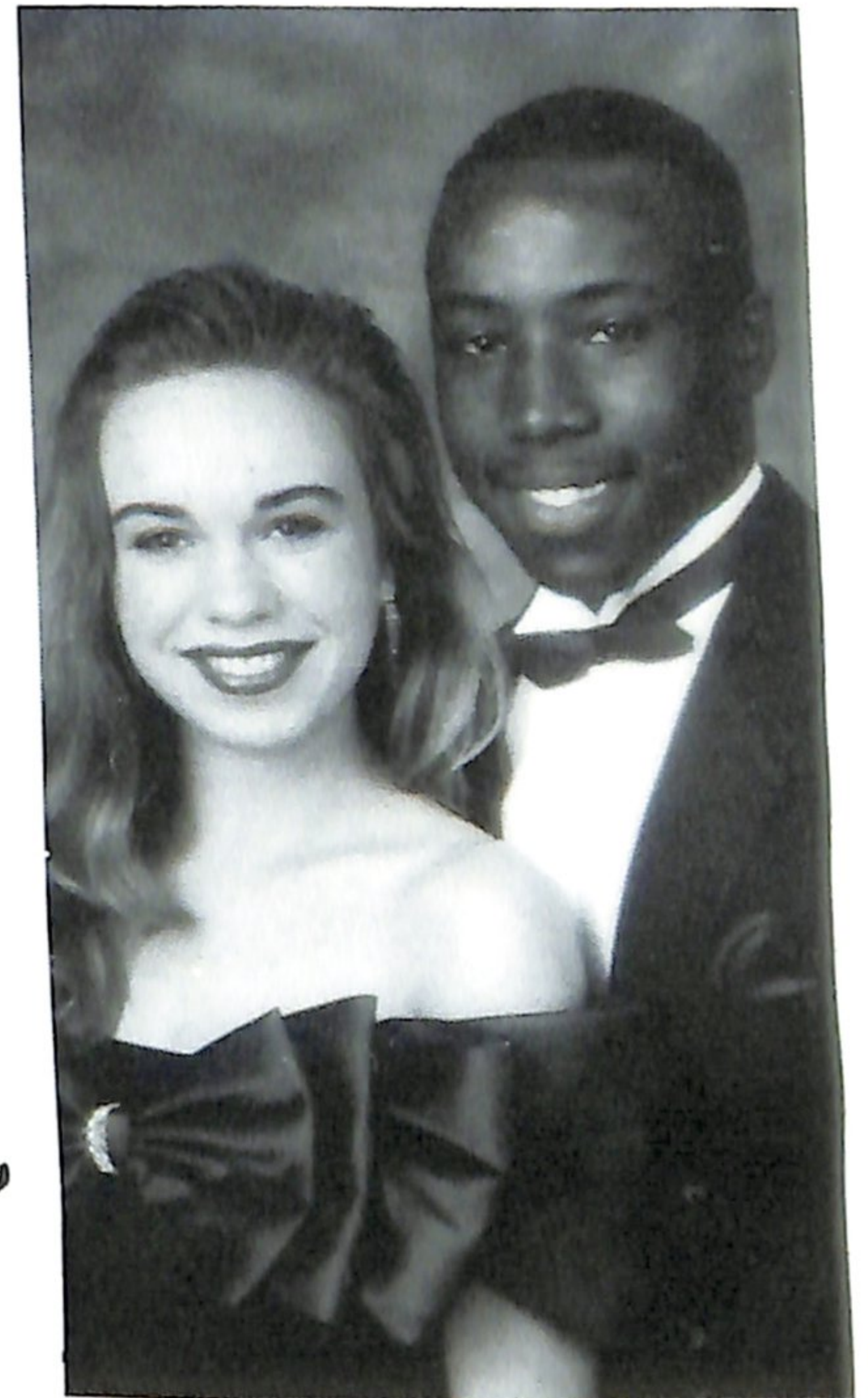


◆ During the varsity halftime, eager eyes awaited to see the results of the new king and queen. The nominees waited in the cold with all eyes on

them. The winners were announced, Toni Blair and Sasha Landis were crowned 1991 Homecoming King and Queen.



◆ The Junior attendants were Lara Hall and Kenny Martin. Lara's message to society was, "If you put your mind to it, you can achieve anything." Kenny expressed, "Everybody has a place in the world, no matter what you do or who you are, everyone belongs."



◆ Senior attendants were Terrea Williams and Patrick Wulsin. Terrea's message to society was, "Don't waste time, elevate your mind, knowledge is the key that will set you free." Pat made it known, "Always try your hardest and you'll be number one - just look at the soccer team."

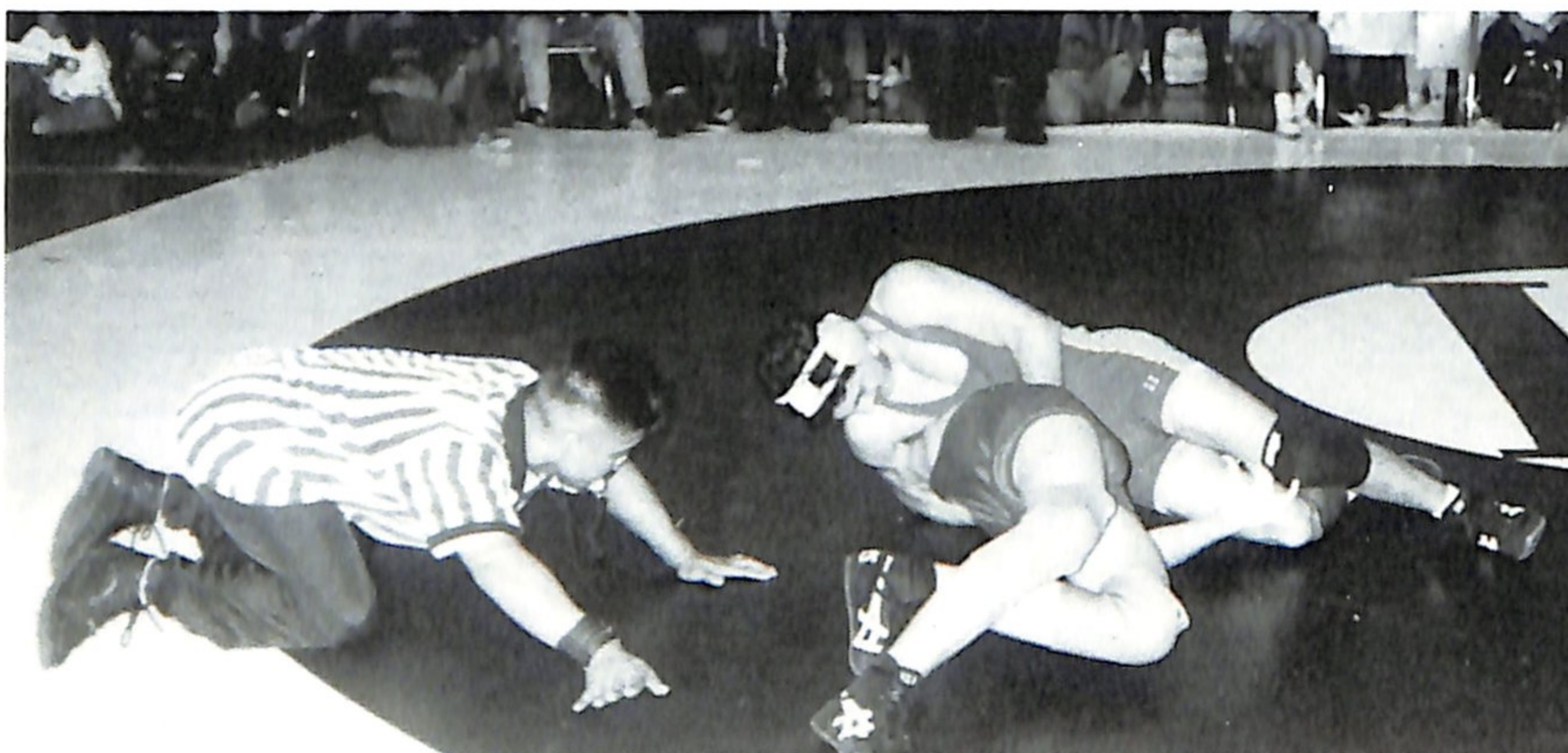
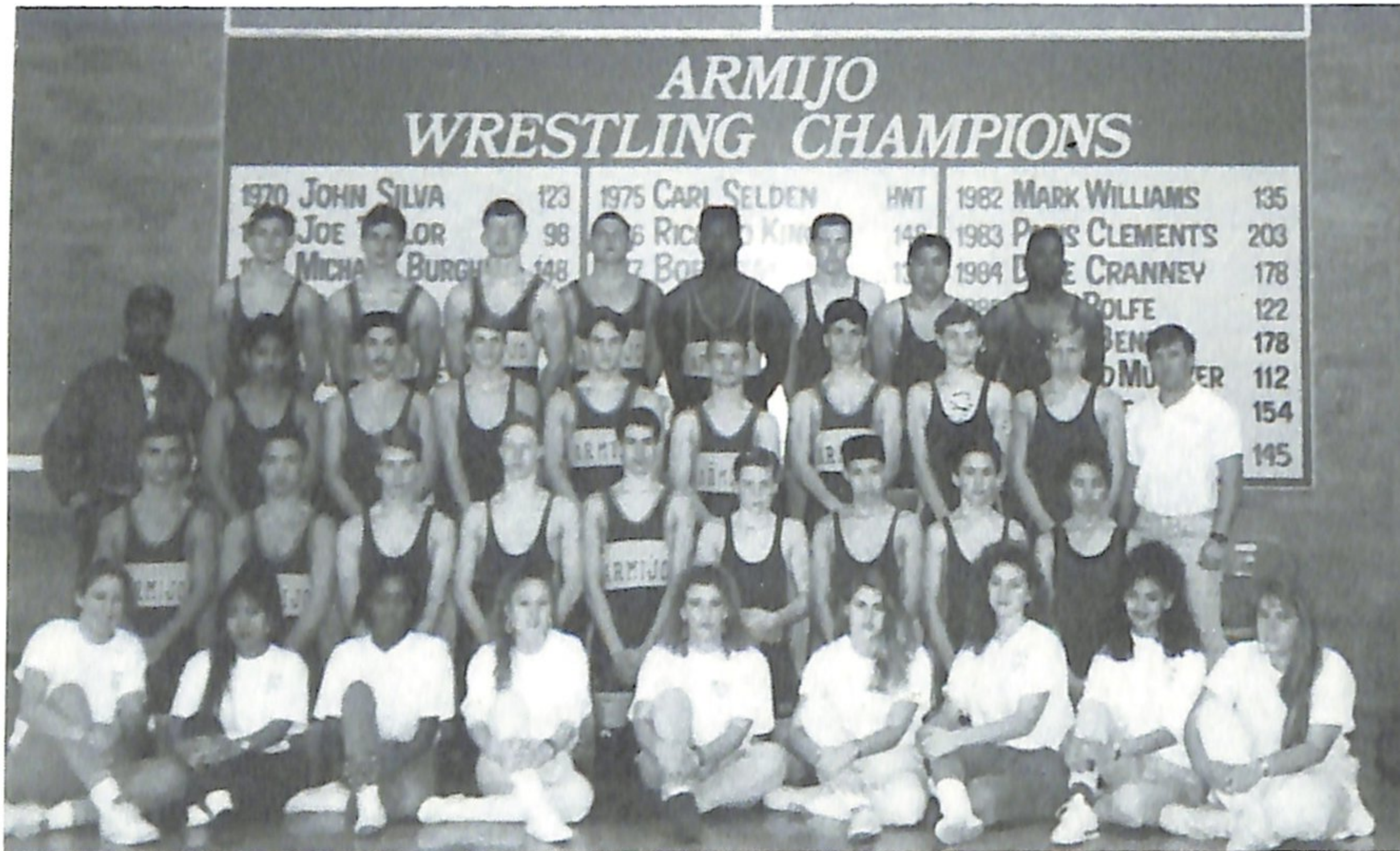
◆ The only female wrestler, Stacey Massola tried to attempt a head and arm on a struggling opponent at a J.V. tournament. "A challenge is a challenge no matter if you're male or female," Stacey said.



◆ First year wrestler Chico Morales put the "squeeze" on his opponent at the Vallejo tournament. "Learning the moves was hard but putting them in use in different situations was difficult," said Chico.

◆ M. Nigro, J. Kurvink, S. Baumgarten, J. Bowlin, D. Wright, M. Wilson, L. Chua, C. Jones, K. Jackson, T. Resultan, C. Morales, D. Stevens, C. Matthiessen, K. Metz, J. Giansgrasso, R. Sullens, M. Gullick, M. Williams, R. Stevens, G. Johns, J. Goldbronn, M. Baumgarten, S. Svarc, C.

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GOIN' TO THE MAT

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hen should I shoot? Will a head and arm be able to hold him? Can I get a takedown? Such are the thoughts that race through the wrestler's mind as he circles his opponent. One of the toughest aspects of wrestling is to know what move to put on at the right time. "In a who's got who situation, the opponents must move quick to get a reversal but also know how to keep the right move on your opponent," said Chico Morales. To win, one must have strategy as well as agility. This is the essence of wrestling.

The division was open to everyone no matter the size or weight. This was the first year that a female was on the team. Sophomore Stacey Massola said, "I joined the team because I wanted to prove

my ability as a girl wrestler in a sport dominated by men."

A tremendous amount of work was put into preparing the team. Practice became more demanding with each day and self-discipline became a way of life. "I liked the discipline and effort I had put into it because it shows what kind of person I am inside," replied Kirk Metz..

The rugged after school practice schedule did pay off however. Every Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, the team got a chance to show what they could do in a tournament. One fine example of the team's performance was at the Albany Varsity Tournament. Gordon Johns took first place in his weight division. Second Place was presented to Kirk Metz and

Dennis Wright. Finally fourth place went to Ricky Stevens and Clark Mattheissen.

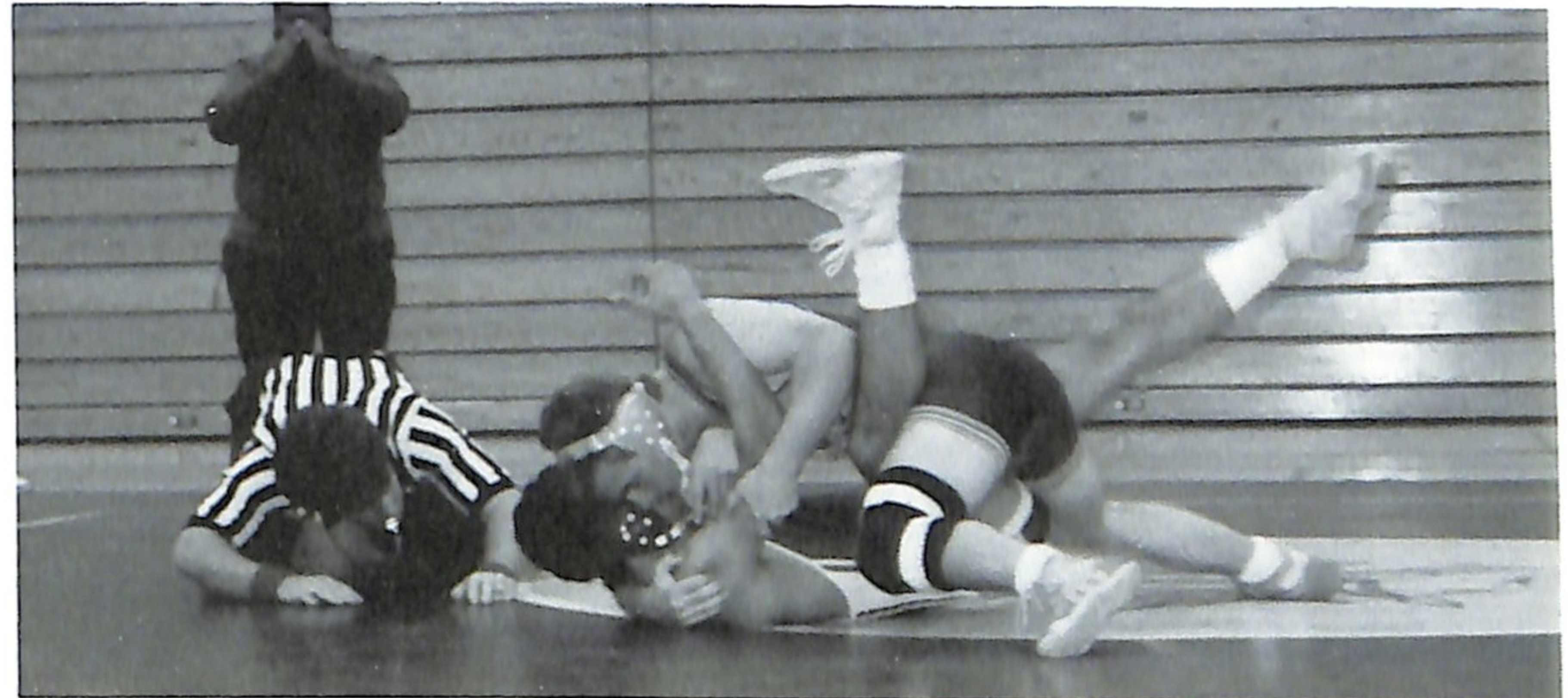
Cheering them on were the wrestlerettes, or the stat girls. The wrestlerettes are proud supporters who often get less credit than they deserve. "Our job as stat girls isn't just to keep the score, but to keep the crowd alive and the wrestlers hyped," commented Doreen Bangad.

The wrestling team was grateful for all of their supporters. The coaches, parents, stat girls and annual banquets: all contributed to the encouragement and overall positive attitude that kept the team on their toes. Coach Jackson said, "Wrestling is a challenge for the body and mind if you have the heart."

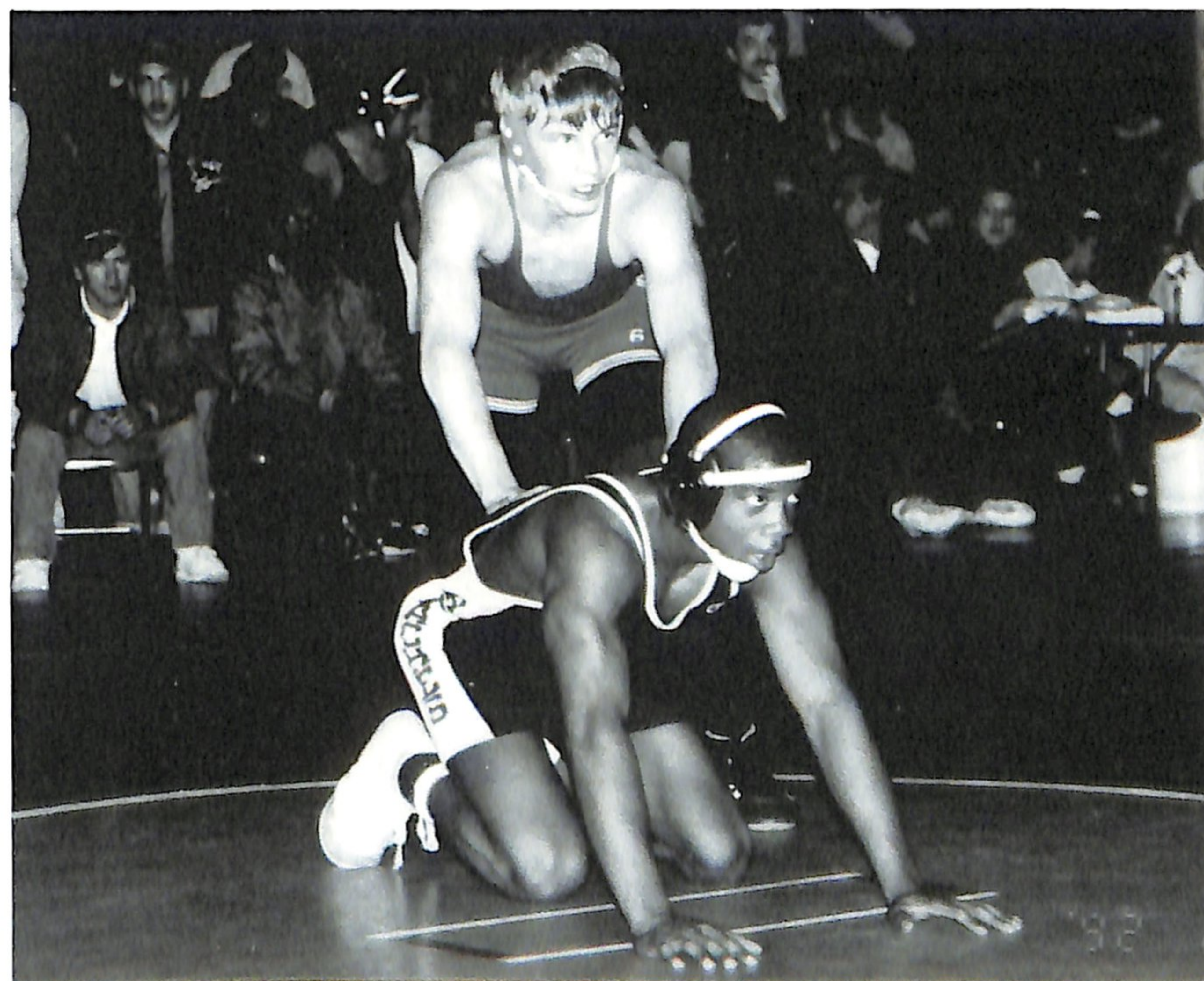


◆ After conquering an opponent, Varsity heavyweight Dennis Wright, received a congratulations from teammate Mark Golic and stated, "I've never been intimidated by other wrestlers because of their height, weight, or build."

◆ After getting his three point near fall, Varsity Kirk Metz went for the pin on a Hogan wrestler. "By staying aggressive and keeping your spirits up, I feel I can pin any wrestler in my way," said Kirk.



◆ Martin Nigro began to circle his opponent to make sure that he did not receive the escape point. "As long as I concentrate, I can remember my moves while I'm on the mat," said Martin.



◆ Lyndon Williams tried to prevent his opponent from shooting at his legs to get a take down. "I'll let him have the first move, but then I'll get the reversal," said Lyndon.

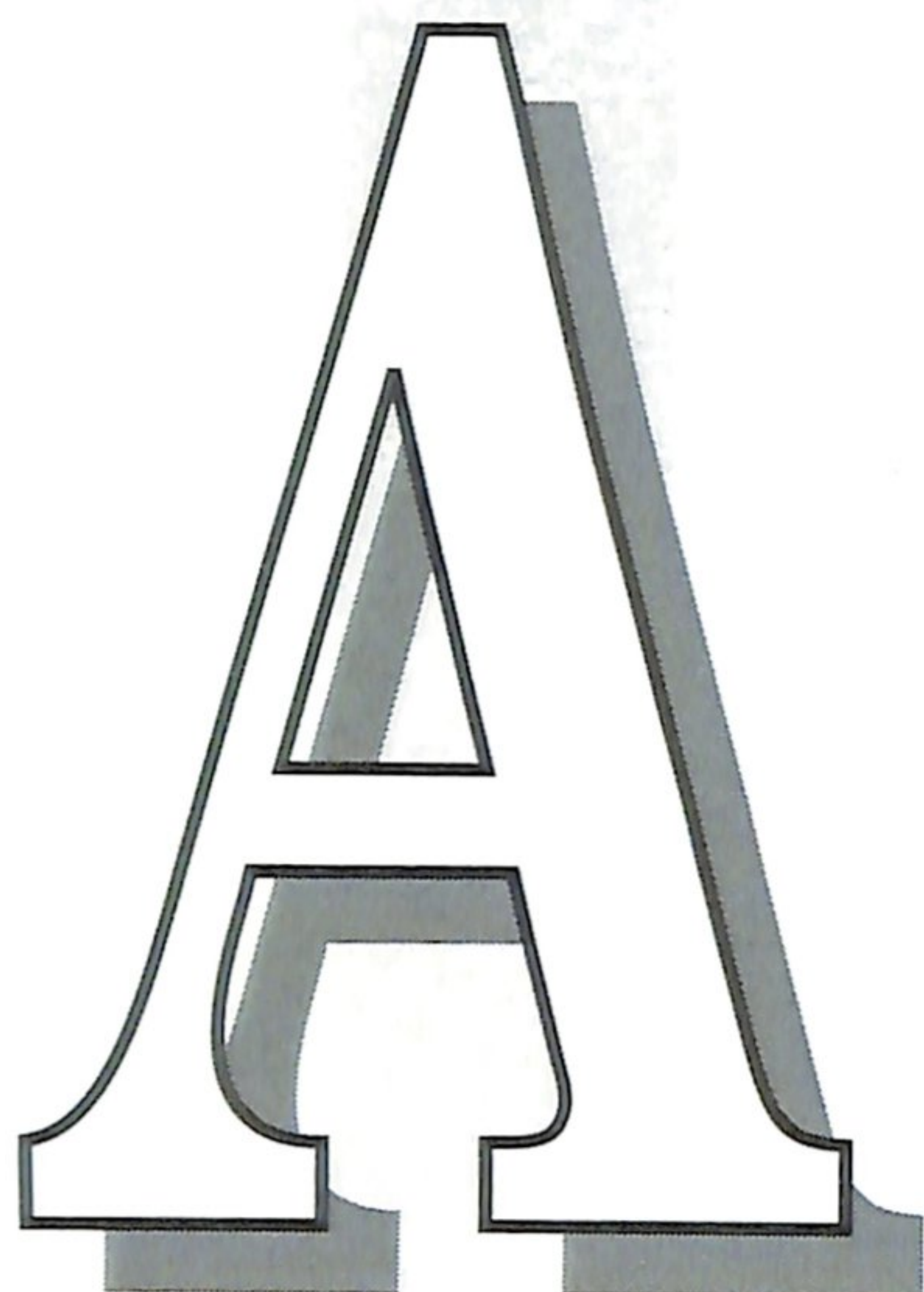
◆ At the M.E.L. championship tournament, Dwayne Stevens defeated Joe Wilson from Vallejo and took 1st place in his weight division. "Without the hard practices, I wouldn't have been able to win this match," said Dwayne.

Sidelines



Once out of high school, many people forget the grueling competition of sports. While trying to succeed at their goals for the future, Mark Williams transferred his once extra-curricular activity into a hobby. Coming back to help the younger generation, he became the wrestling coach. "I enjoyed wrestling in high school because I had excellent coaches. Bob Bailey and Ron Cortese are great examples. I like the sport because anybody can wrestle at any weight. Wrestling teaches things that they can use on and off of the mat. They learn dedication, commitment, hard work, how to have fun, and the pride that you build up for yourself," said Mark.

WAVERS



s Coach Henderson brought to order the annual pre-season team meeting, he took a head count of over sixty students, who were ready to plunge into the cold water and use their school spirit to push them to victory. The excitement of having the second largest swim team in the school's history had a considerable effect on Coach Henderson. "I'm truly excited and over-whelmed with the number of students that have come to put this team together," said Coach Henderson.

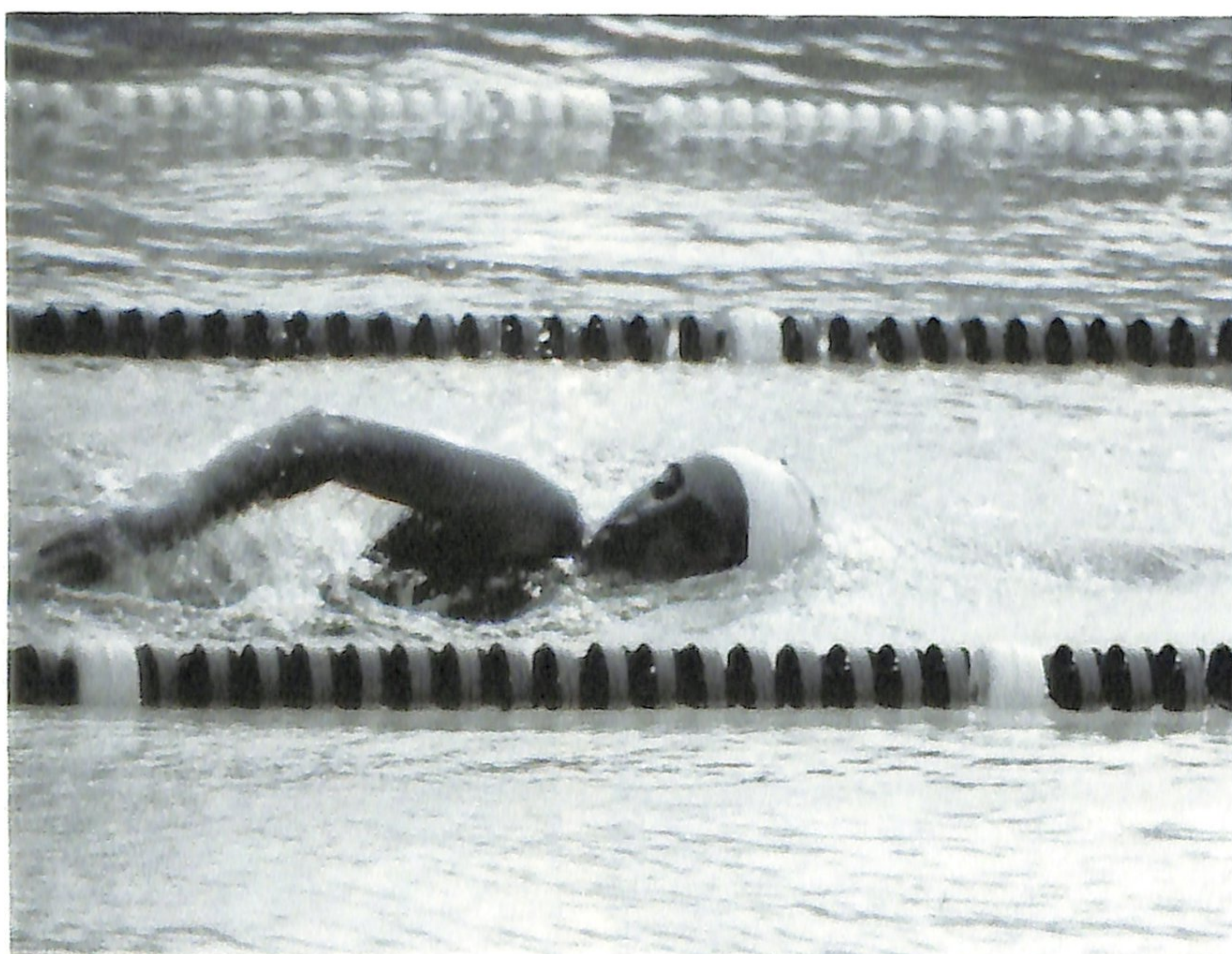
This season also brought a new league for the Junior Varsity team members. This allowed the racers who competed in the J.V. category to be recognized for their achievements on being able to earn points for their team. Sophomore and first year Junior Varsity swimmer Rachel Handa responded, "I am glad there is a J.V. league because I am not a very strong swimmer and I would like to be noticed and receive points for my wins."

There are many things that go through a swimmer's mind just before his event, such as, goals, desire to win, and fear of defeat. But one can rest assured he had the full support of the team, no

matter what the outcome was. Freshman April Ruark was both nervous and excited during her first meet. She said, "I felt like everyone was staring at me. I just wanted to swim my hardest so I could get it over with. When I was through, I was exhausted and out of breath. I was relieved that I had finished." Ryan Bouley remarked, "I had high goals set for myself. I hoped to make it to sections. Just because I was a freshmen my ability was doubted. But I worked hard and came out on top in many events."

It's always nice to have the members of your team cheer for you. At each meet, one would see groups gathered around the pool to support and encourage his competing teammates to do their absolute best. This positive attitude that was seen through-out the season showed devotion to the sport, the team, and most of all to each individual.

From the second the swimmers took their marks, the adrenaline was pumping and their confidence was high. In a moment they would leap off into the calm water as they entered the depth of the season.



◆ The more time and hard work you put in, the better results you get. Andrea Veach is swimming 100 meters freestyle during practice. "I'm happy with the progress of my events," she said.

◆ Virpi Kantanen, an AFS student and Bronze Medalist at the Finland National Championships, is performing a backward somersault with one full twist off the low dive. She said, "Diving is much different here. In Finland, we condition with weights before going to the pool."





◆ Teshala Whipple dives off the starting block as Joy Reed swims into the wall during a 400 meter freestyle relay. Coach Henderson said, "I am extremely pleased with how well the girls team did this year. They worked really hard."

◆ Don Hooper is shown here swimming his 200 freestyle event. "This was my first year and I feel I will benefit from the experience I gained to help in the years to come," he said.



◆ Matt Hancock improves his technique of a back dive. "I'm happy with the turnout of divers. We proved that we were one of the top teams in our league," he said.

Sidelines



Jenny Heywood has been swimming for nine years and her experience showed. Her ability brought her to the Junior Nationals doing a 50 meter freestyle in 24.60 seconds. She also won first place for the same event in Junior Varsity Sections and second place in the 100 meter breaststroke.

This talent Jenny has brought her to many places for meets and training.

Through all her wins and losses, Jenny's dad has been her biggest inspiration. She said, "My dad has always been there to help me. He encourages me to do my best."

▲ M. Adamick, S. Batista, M. Baumgarten, R. Bouley, T. Conklin, D. Conley, G. Davis, M. Emerick, C. Foltz, D. Hooper, J. Howard, E. James, I. Leslie, M. Long, M. Hancock, T. Morris, M. O'Boyle, J. Perez, E. Smith, J. Stahlberger, J. Stevens, B. Stone, J. Wickham, K. Abruzzo, C. Batson, W. Birchall, D. Boothe, K. Brannon, J. Campbell, A. Crawford, C. Delapp, J. Faulkner, S. Finley, L. Gale, S. German, R. Handa, H. Hansen, L. Harris, A. Haws,

J. Hooper, S. Jacobsen, V. Kantanen, E. Knox, A. Mikolajcik, M. Munson, K. Nielson, J. Ramirez, C. Recknagel, J. Reed, A. Ruork, A. Sessoms, M. Schmidt, P. Smith, A. Veach, L. Wagensel, T.J. Whipple, J. Wilson, D. Gitsam. Not pictured: D. Schuman, G. Hammad, J. Heywood, M. McAuliffe, R. Mitchell, D. Barnett, I. Garana, R. Harris, E. Sanabria, J. Takeuchi, S. Blazer.

SPIKEBALL

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ost sports are not given appropriate names. Volleyball is not excluded from this general rule. "Spikeball" would be an entirely more fitting name. The object of the game is not merely to get the ball over the net, but to smash it down on the opposing team's side of the court. The game is not always gentle, but it is definitely fun.

The junior varsity volleyball team was composed of a promising group of young players. Their record was 4-9. As they continue to play together in the following seasons they are sure to gain the experience that will make the forthcoming years victorious ones. Leslie Kanemoto said, "We had the necessary experience to win all our games, but it takes time to learn to think as a team, rather than as an individual."

The P.E. version of volleyball bears little resemblance to the often rough game that the school team plays. To win a match, three out of five fifteen point games must be won. Overhand serves, spiking, and diving to save the

ball are routine. Protective gear like kneepads is put to good use because of the frequent collisions with the floor. Mitzi Lew said, "Without kneepads I would be one huge bruise."

It was a tough year for the varsity volleyball team. The starting players from last year had all been seniors, and as seniors are apt to do, graduated. This year's team was made up of younger, less experienced, players. The record for the team was 2-11.

The volleyball teams did not lose through lack of effort. Coach Tom Manglona kept all the team members in top form. Joy Ramirez, said, "He really got us in good shape. He managed to think up every possible volleyball drill ever imaginable and more. When the season first started my poor, out-of-shape body was sore for quite a long while. I made a habit of soaking my soon-to-be-in-shape muscles in a long, hot bath." Volleyball is definitely an exciting game, but also a game not designed for the frail.



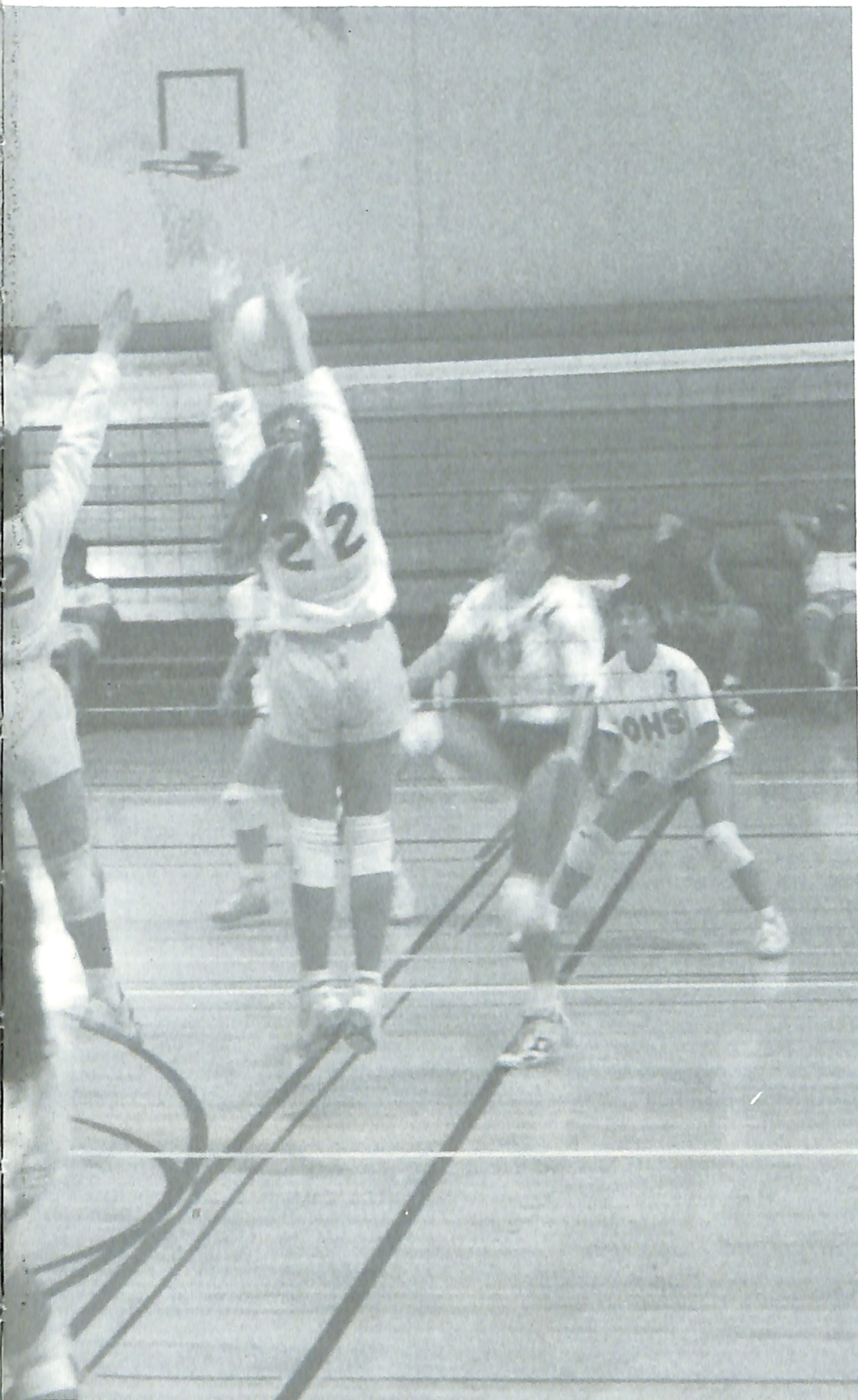
▲ Varsity: A. Canillo, D. Timberman, M. Ramirez, Tom Manglona, K. Dionisio, S. Steed, M. Lew, N. Williams, J. Ramirez, D. Kromm, M. Payaslian.



▲ One must constantly be aware of exactly where the volleyball is and be able to predict where it will go. Spring Steed recalls this intense moment of concentration in which she had "focused on the ball."

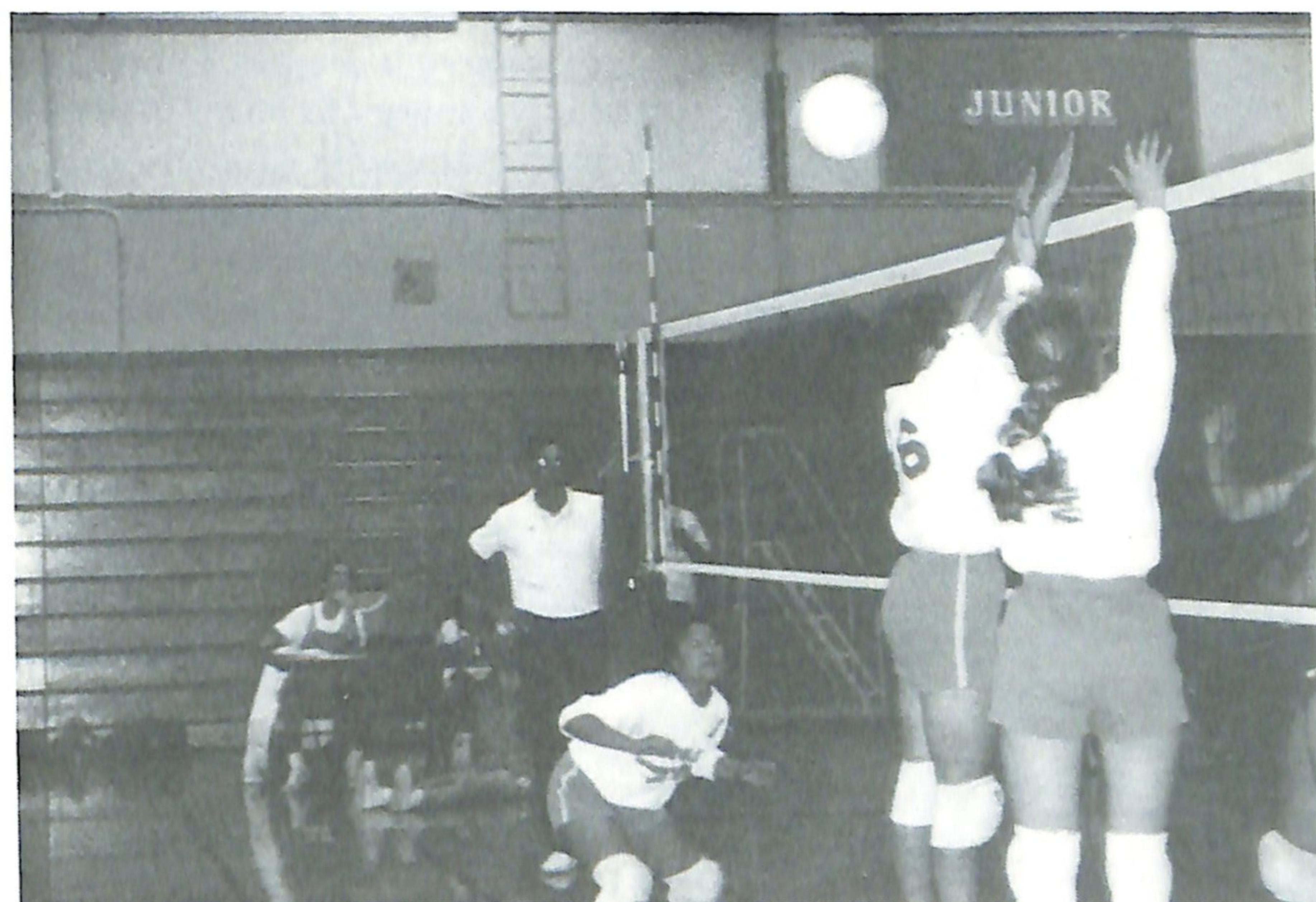
◆ Darlene Timberman said, "It is very important to start a set off with a strong serve, it sets the pace of the game, and lets the opposition know that you mean business."





◆ Spring Steed and Margarita Ramirez, do their part to keep the volleyball on the opposing team's side. Margarita said, "In an ideal volleyball game, the volleyball would never enter our side of the court."

♥ Joy Ramirez was ready to back up her teammates Emma Willey and Amy Canillo as they blocked a spike. Joy said, "Teamwork is really important for a team that wants more than just one star on their team."



◆ J.V.: S. Robertson, J. Wilson, L. Todd, N. Ponce, A. Gallegos, H. Hircareda, K. Depue, J. Clark, L. Kanemoto, Tom Manglona, L. Vizzini, J. Powell.

Sidelines



Volleyball is different from many other team sports. Julianne Clark said, "Playing volleyball is more than just getting the ball over the net. You must work with your team. Playing volleyball is a group effort and that is what makes it special." You must hit a volleyball three times before hitting it over the net to the opposing team and during that time the team must work together. Julianne's most important concern for success is teamwork.



◆ Dana Kromm dives for the gym floor in an effort to keep the opposing team from scoring. Dana said, "The only thing better than scoring a point for your own team is stopping the other team from scoring."

◆ Julianne Clark, Leslie Kanemoto, and Stephanie Robertson stretch outside. Stephanie said, "Our coach, Tom Manglona, had us do pre-game warm-ups that were both mentally and physically challenging."

SECOND WIND

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ross Country is a sport for people who have energy to burn. Without excessive amounts of energy, not just anyone manage to run through the mountainous terrain found in places like Rockville Park. The very long distances didn't attract many people. Coach Matt Sommer said. "This year's team was a small and dedicated group, including three girls and four boys."

Cross Country is a sport that invigorates. It is not incredibly tiring as some people assume. After running a very long distance, when you feel like you are ready to drop, your brain decides to help you out; it releases chemicals called endorphins that give runners what some people have described as a second wind. Suddenly, you feel as if you could run forever. Mike Thomas said that while he ran to keep in shape "the endorphins were an extra. It was a wonderful feeling when they hit you."

The perceptive few people who joined this year's Cross Country team discovered the many challenges of running. Running is a sport unlike any other. Points are not scored, strikes are not thrown, and three outs are never made. Cross Country lacks the competition of other sports. "You try to run faster than yourself. It is more satisfying to beat your own time than to beat any other runner," said Kirsten Dick. This year's team was inexperienced and new to running. Even though their record was 0-5, they were constantly improving their own scores. Next year they will continue to improve until they overtake the scores of the fastest people at the fastest schools.

While few people recognize the pluses to Cross Country running, the Cross Country team knows all about them. It is a sport with plenty of nice scenery and it allows time for thinking. It is a healthy and happy sport.



◆ Mieriena Choi raced along the trail at Rockville Park. She managed to beat her personal best time by thirty seconds. Mieriena said, "It feels wonderful when you improve your time and you have given your all."



◆ The whole Cross Country team listened attentively to Mr. Sommer. David Cruz said, "Cross country is a hard sport to teach," but the tips that Mr. Sommer gave us made it a lot easier. In cross country, little things can make a big difference."



◆ Paul Young strides forward during this three mile race. Paul said, "I find that the middle of the race is the least tiring for me because it is then that I catch my second wind."



◆ Jennifer Campbell runs her hardest at the beginning of a race at Rockville Park. Jennifer said, "Knowing the whole race is ahead of you is sometimes the hardest part."

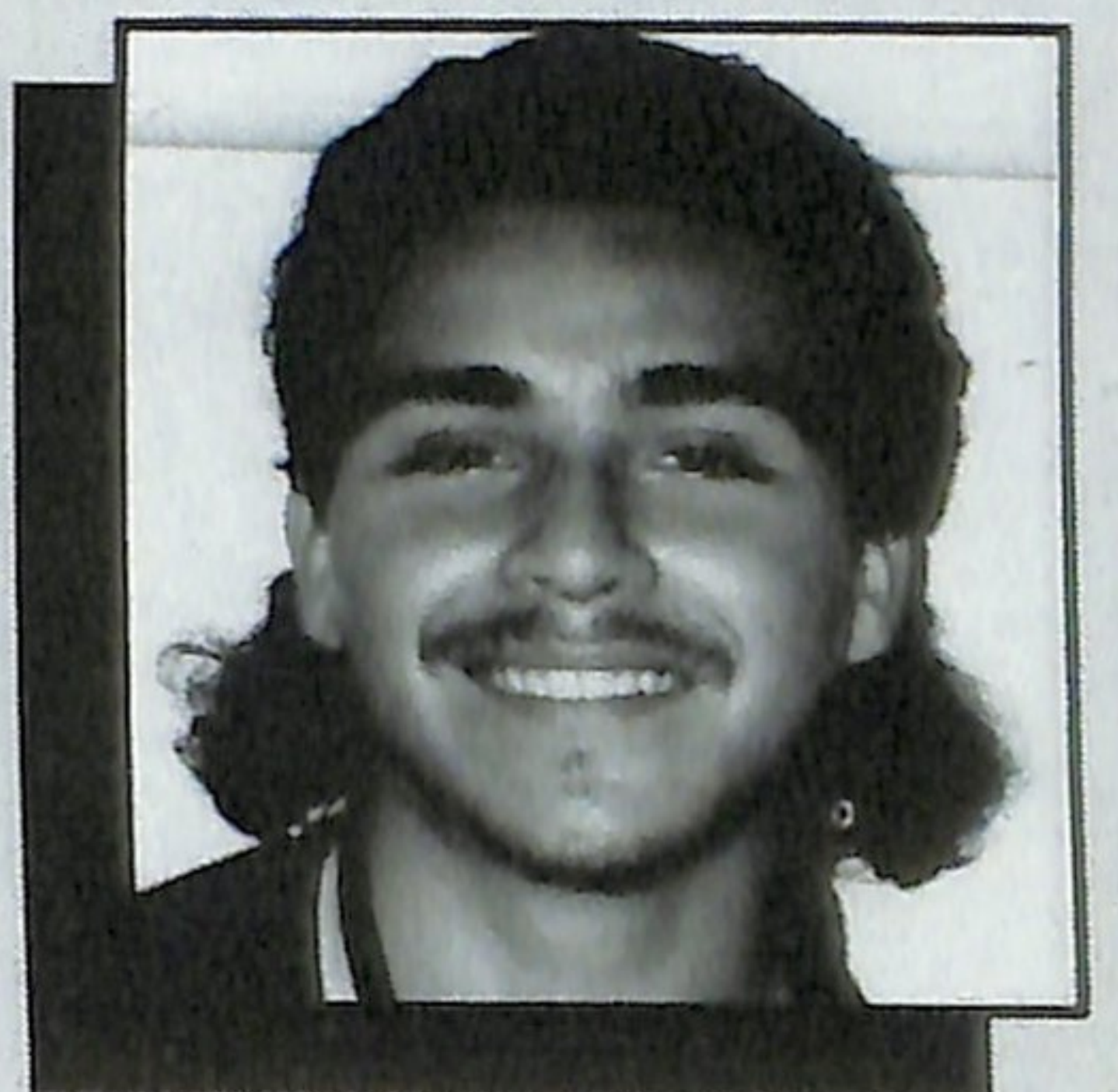
◆ D. Cruz, K. Dick, P. Young, M. Campbell, J. Sommer, P. Vogelpohl, M. Choi, M. Thomas



◆ Pat Vogelpohl keeps up a speedy pace during this particular race. The secret of Pat's speed, he willingly claimed, "It's in my shoes — good shoes are very necessary."

◆ Good stretching is always vitally important. Jennifer Campbell stretched out her legs as a prelude to a long run through the city of Fairfield for practice. "If you do not stretch, you suffer," said Jennifer.

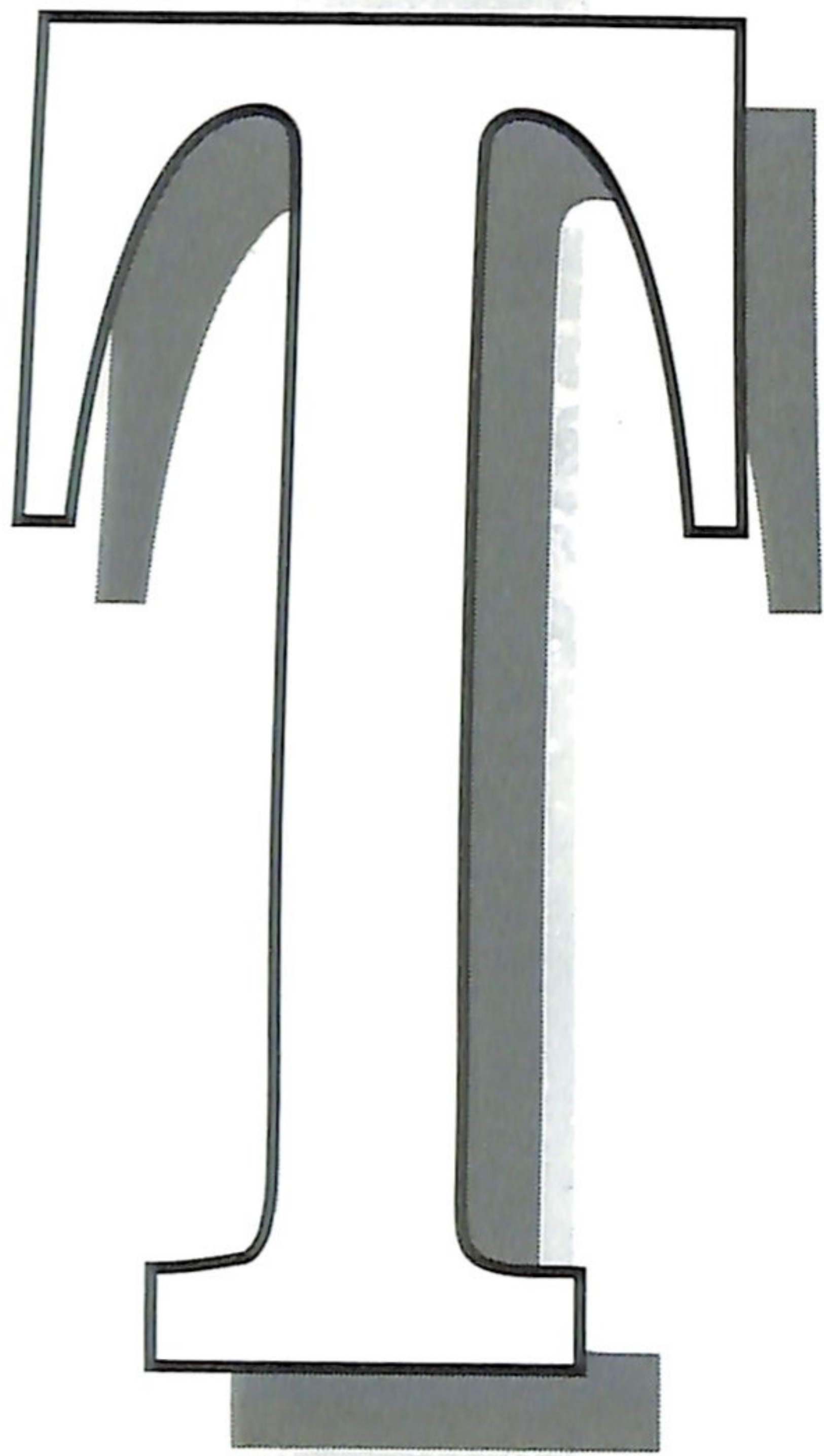
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Why does one choose cross country as a sport? David Cruz uses running to get in shape. Said David, "cross country is great for building up stamina and endurance. "He also subtly hinted that running would be a good sport to get into for girls that are especially concerned about their health," he remarked. For whatever reasons that David runs, he seems to really enjoy the sport and all that it entails. Most people naturally assume that cross country is nothing but a horribly tiring and basically boring sport. Most people could only be induced to run if a huge, green, hairy monster was chasing them. Perhaps, a slew of green, hairy monsters should be unleashed to chase people so that they could be induced to give cross country a chance.



ALL FOR ONE



here are many factors in leading a team to success and the Varsity team proved to have them all. With a tough new season ahead of them, the "hopes for the future" saw how different and more demanding Varsity ball was. With the help of the veteran seniors, the team worked together to overcome any and every obstacle presented to them. A strong coaching staff and never ending crowd support were also important assets to the team.

Returning seniors had the advantage of knowing the game a little better and shared their leadership qualities with the other members. Corey Chairs was a returning senior to the sport, but new to Armijo. His perseverance on the court gained him a starting position on the team. Bryan Smith, Chris Campbell, Fabian Lara and A.J. Rollins were all

power aids to the team's success. Smith and Campbell were strong forces off of the bench. Lara and Rollins worked together to secure a strong foundation in the younger athletes for the future seasons.

Up and coming Sophomores Leron Williams and Bryan Balog, members of the Varsity team as freshmen also, contributed an extreme amount of ability as starters last year. Playing very intense on offense and defense, Junior Tony Freeman, could not be stopped. Along with Mike Garver, another younger addition to the team's roster was Junior Darin Drumheller. Darin's capability to hit three point goals with enough confidence to make them count, was a key factor in many games. "A lot of the time, I was hitting so I just kept shooting. Everything just worked itself out," said Drumheller of his continuous

success with the three point shooting. Shawn Jansen, Pat Chilson and Charles Haggerty were also three juniors with what it took to get the team a win.

For many of the players, family came first. That is why, when the games began, parental and friendly support were ever-present. A lot of parents showed up on Wednesday and Friday nights to join one of the biggest crowds in the M.E.L., each cheering on their favorite player. The team and coaches were all aware of this and feel that it gets them even more pumped up. Additional encouragement in a team of three statisticians joined in the spirit of every game. Paula Smith, Melissa Bautista and Tiffany Martindale, also felt the enthusiasm after a win.

◆ The pre-game warm-ups were, sometimes, a key in preparation for game-time. With basketballs flying high, each team member gets a chance to put in a few shots before the clock winds down and the action begins.



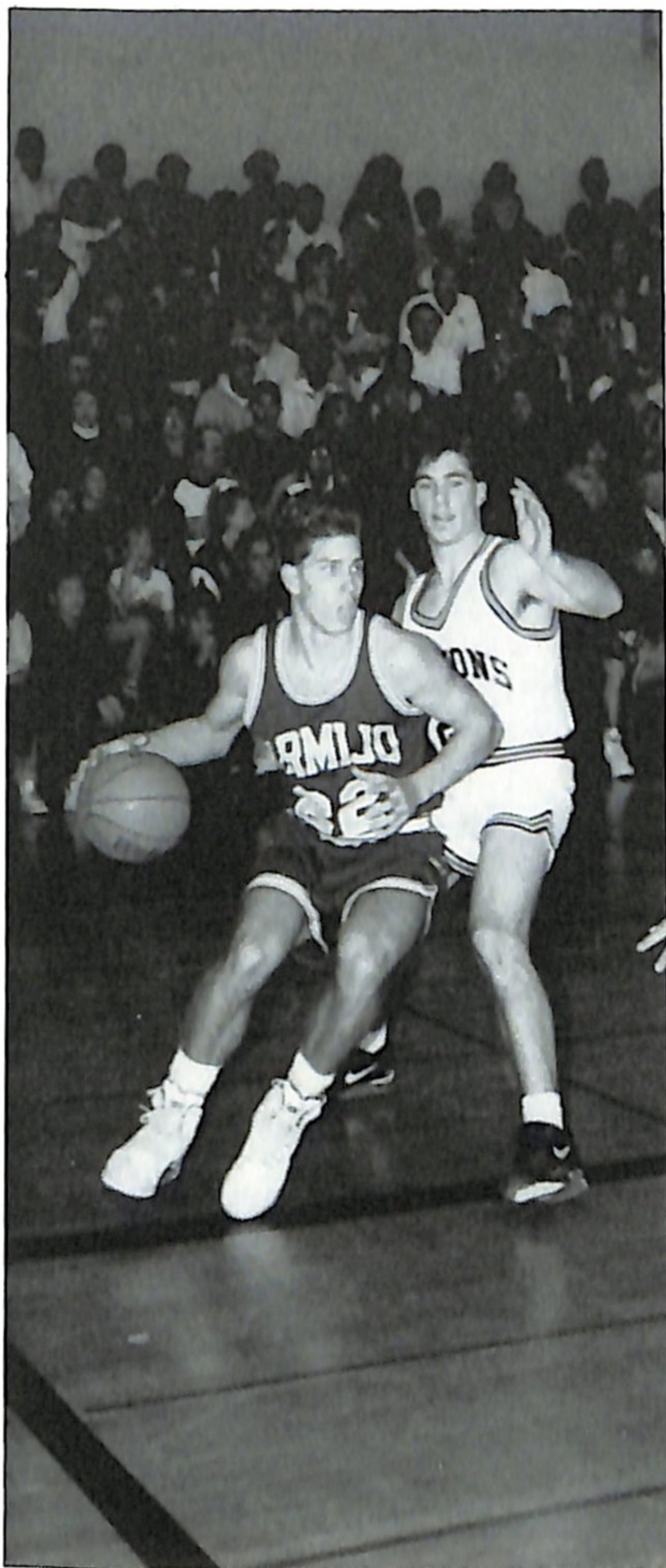
◆ Junior Tony Freeman's abilities to out run his opponent far surpasses even the quickest defenders. "When the score is tied in a game like that, the defense really starts to pressure you," said Tony.



◆ J. Dahl, K. McCord, S. Jansen, B. Smith, M. Garver, A. Rollins, P. Chilson, F. Lara, B. Balog, C. Haggerty, J. Peter-

son, D. Drumheller, T. Freeman, C. Chairs, L. Williams.



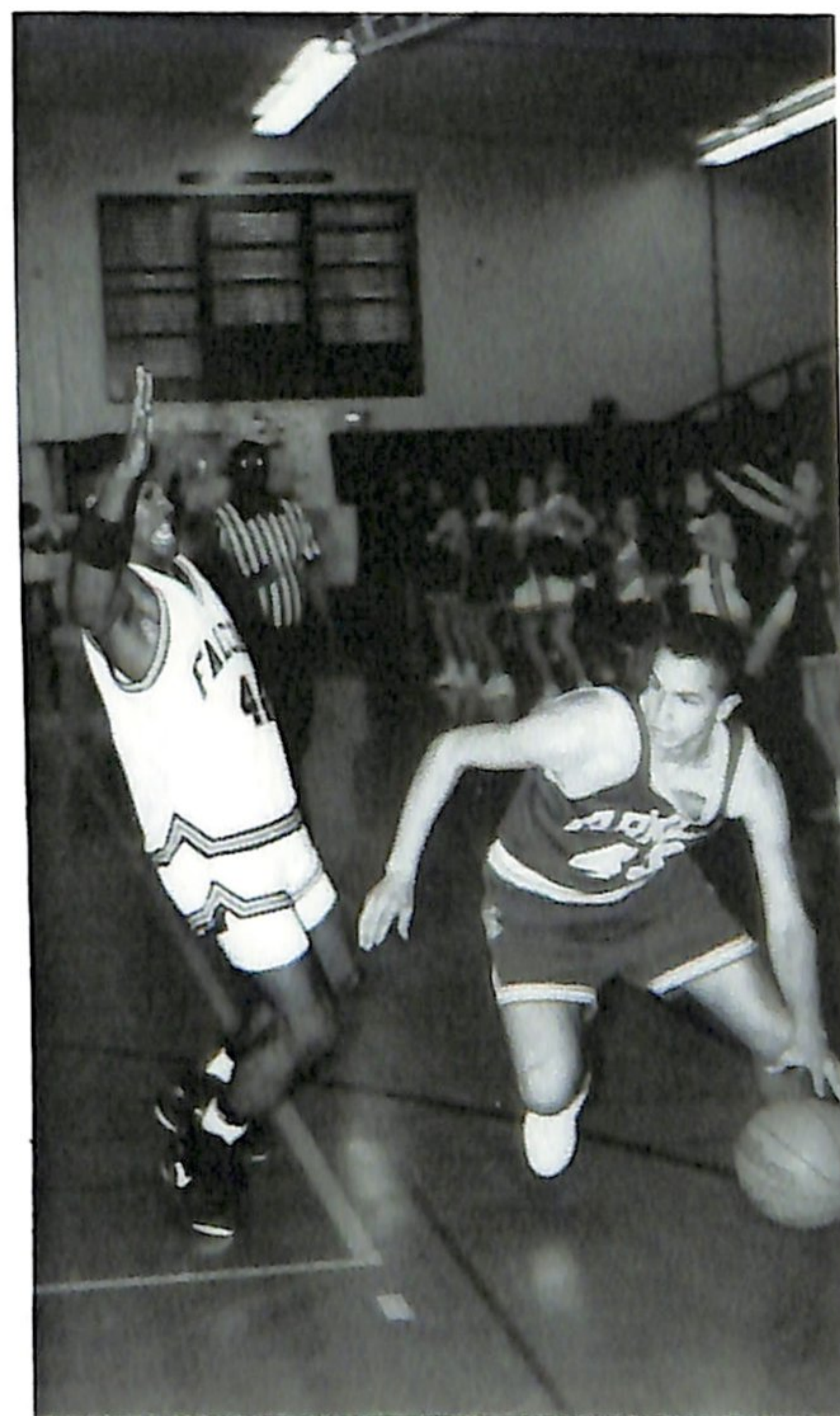
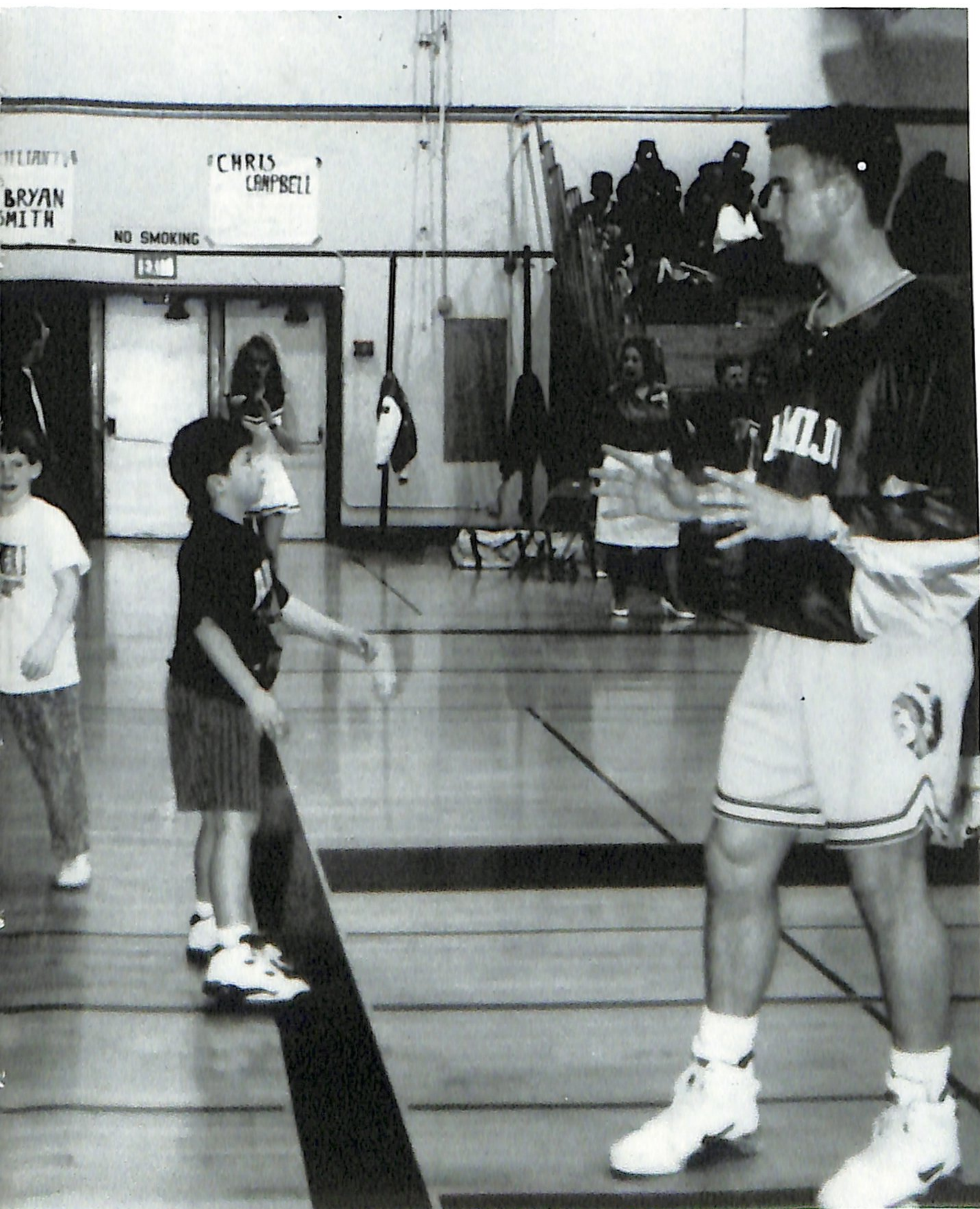


◆ Sophomore Bryan Balog, slips by an opposing player with only a two point goal in mind. "It was frustrating being out a few games because of my ankle. I knew I had to come back strong and intense," said Bryan.



◆ At halftime, Head Coach Jay Dahl, tries to get worn and tired players ready for the final half. "For the most part, they use the break to get their heads back into the game," said Dahl.

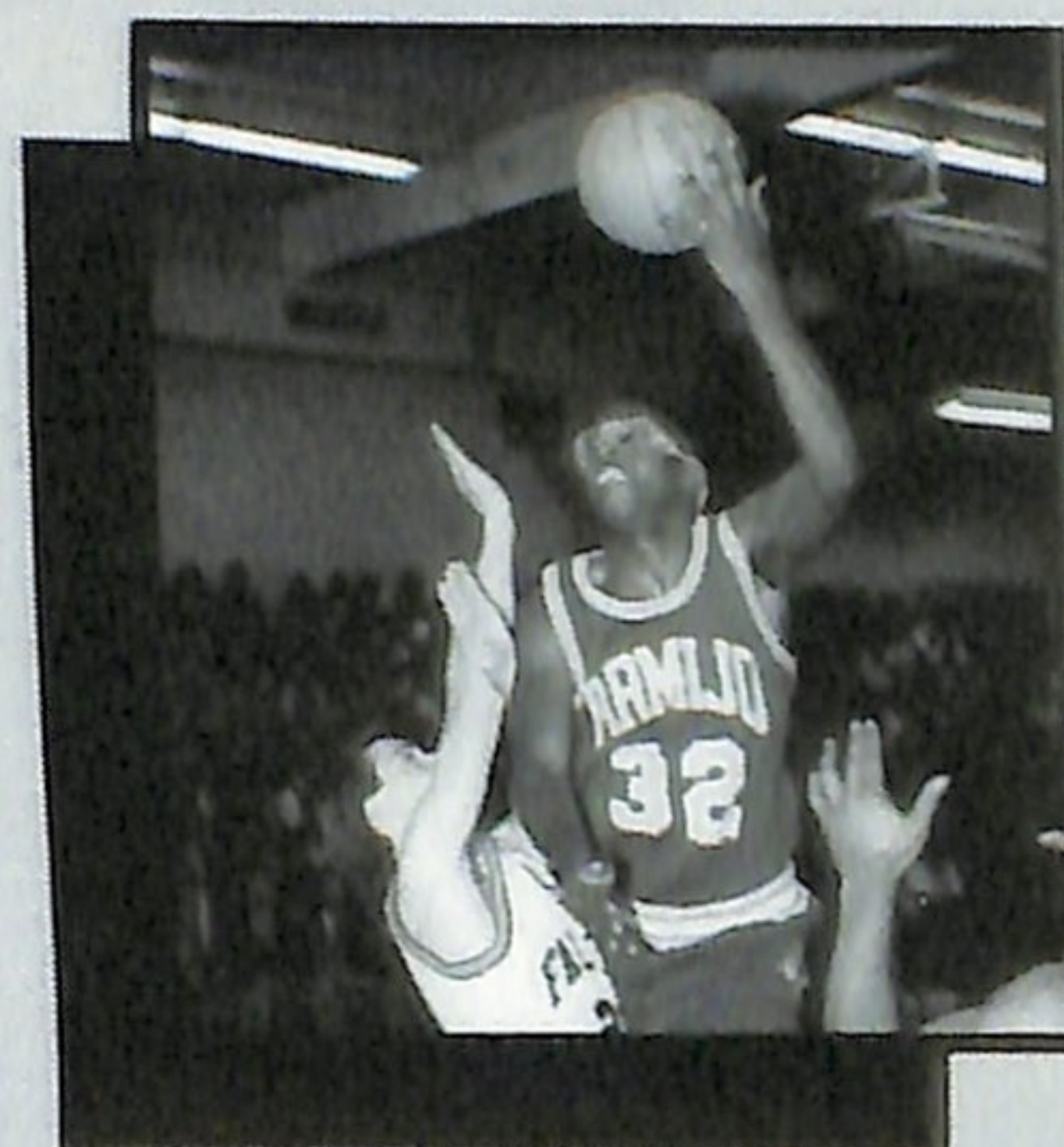
◆ Senior Corey Chairs grabs another rebound off the boards. "At first, playing here was different. Coach Dahl had to work with me to get me thinking of a new way to play. It got easier later in the season," said Corey.



◆ Two year Varsity veteran, Fabian Lara, penetrates past an opponent to score a quick two points. "I'm glad I got a chance to start this year. Being out there early, gave me a chance to gain a lead and set the pace of the game," said Fabian.

◆ Pre-game stress was relieved by the help of future Armijo hoopsters. Jerrod Dahl was one of five youngsters that helped pass balls back to players during warm-ups. Jerrod looks forward to playing Varsity ball himself one day.

Sidelines



A.J. Rollins earned such honors as being nominated to play in the McDonald's All American game (a prestigious collection of the best high school players in the country), and a full scholarship to St. Mary's College.

His overall grade point average of a 3.25, was a major aid in scholarship offerings. He also attributed a lot of his success to his family and their support. "People think all I am is basketball. My family has taught me to keep my priorities straight and because of them I know I am a more complete person."

HOOP CREW

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ith high hopes of winning, the JV and Freshmen basketball teams got off to a quick start. Freshmen basketball coach, Mr. Jim Evans and JV coach, Mr. Leo Giovannetti both agreed that their teams showed great effort and cooperation.

Mr. Giovannetti has been the JV basketball coach for the past thirteen years. He felt that the most important ingredients in a team were dedication and discipline. "I think I sometimes pushed these kids more than they wanted," said Mr. Giovannetti. The team did quite well this year, with twelve wins and ten losses. Mr. Evans has been coaching the freshmen basketball team for about eight years. For him it was difficult to choose the right players for the team. Forty students tried out for the freshmen team, but only fifteen students made the team this year. "You've got to enjoy what you are doing, otherwise you are not going to have fun," said Mr. Evans.

With the help, coaching and

understanding of Mr. Giovannetti the JV team had a great year. "I like coaching for the JV team because then I can see how the players grow successful in basketball," said Mr. Giovannetti. Joe Cherry said, "My most memorable game was against Vallejo. We had lost the first game and the second game we played, we won."

Some students who are involved in the Freshmen team would like to play professionally in the future, like Robert Flegal. "I would like to play for the great Los Angeles Lakers, I think they are excellent players." Julian Russell added, "I think I would like to play for the Chicago Bulls."

For some students, basketball means just another extra curricular activity, but for others it means hard work and devotion. Jeremy King said, "I think basketball has become an important part of my life." For the years to come, these confident basketball athletes will continue to work at their game.

♦ Going for a layup, Chachie Favela tries to avoid his opponent and make a basket. "My favorite game was against Napa because Vince Mendez made an unbelievable three point shot at the buzzer and we won the game," said Chachie.



♦ JV basketball player, Vince Mendez, went for the impossible shot - a reverse layout. "In the future I would like to play professionally for the great New York Knicks," said Vince.

♦ Freshmen basketball coach, Mr. Evans, expressed his last encouraging words before the game. "I push the students hard because if I don't I'm not seeing what they can really do," said Mr. Evans.



◆ Joe Cherry powered down the court past an opponent to make the basket for a two-point gain. "My dad influenced me to play basketball. He's encouraged me since I was in the third grade," said Joe.



◆ A. Foster, J. Tignor, J. Jacoby, S. Hardy, D. Hooper, R. Flegal, M. McCoy, Z. Rowe, R. Williams, B. Fischer, J. Evans, R. Hassenplug, J. Russel, and D. Hayer.



◆ Shooting behind the line, Donny Hooper shoots a free throw. "Basketball has been a part of my life for four or five years. I hope it will be in my future because I would like to play for the Golden State Warriors," remarked Donny.



◆ R. Thornson, R. Chow, J. Hollins, J. Barngraff, L. Bardis, J. King, D. Kendrick, J. Cherry, T. Aguilar, and L. Giovannetti, Coach.

◆ V. Mendex, C. Favela, C. Giovannetti, R. Carrera, T. Gallentine. Not Pictured: J. Welch.



◆ Freshman Zach Rowe successfully battles through the Falcons defense to score for the Indians. When asked how he felt Zach replied, "I'm going to Disneyland!"

Sidelines



With all his experience, Mr. Leo Giovannetti had a tough choice as to who was going to be on the team and which position they were to play. "I can't pick just one person as the most valuable. They all contributed." Everyone had an opinion as to which game was the best, but Mr. Giovannetti said, "Our most memorable game was against Hiram Johnson. They had a winning streak of 10-0, and we beat them!"

STARSHOOTERS

The crowd cheers in anticipation as the girl's basketball team runs onto the court. They watch as the girls dribble their way towards the basket. The young varsity team valiantly struggled to make their hopes come true, but unfortunately, their record was 3-20. Coach, Bob Pickett said, "They played hard every game. Our record was disappointing, but that alone does not reflect the effort the team put forth."

The junior varsity team provided younger players a chance to gain the experience that will help them in coming years. Their coach, Chuck Butterfield, often reminds his team that the games

are the best way to learn the do's and don'ts of playing basketball. Coach Butterfield spent a lot of time teaching the players the basics of the game. The foundation is laid for them if they decide to move on to the varsity team.

The players on both basketball teams felt that the best part of playing basketball was the way a team pulls together in a unified effort. Varsity player, Marisa Von Bromsson, said, "Most people do not fully comprehend how hard it is to play like a team. It requires cooperation and selflessness."

Both teams this year were made up of a remarkable number of underclassmen. The extra years of

experience that these younger players got will make future teams much stronger. Coach Pickett commented, "The future looks bright. All of the girls have potential." With talent at such a young age, our girls basketball team should be a powerhouse in a few years. Soon nothing will stop them. They will plow through the opposition. The girls basketball team is ready to burst onto the scene as a powerful force, so watch out! The girls team will soon be scoring so many baskets that the net of the basketball hoop will never cease to sway, and the other team will only be able to watch in awe!

◆ Coach Butterfield gives his Junior Varsity team some pointers at a time out. Cristen Recknagel said, "Timeouts, give us, as players, a chance to rest and get ready to brave the opposition once more."

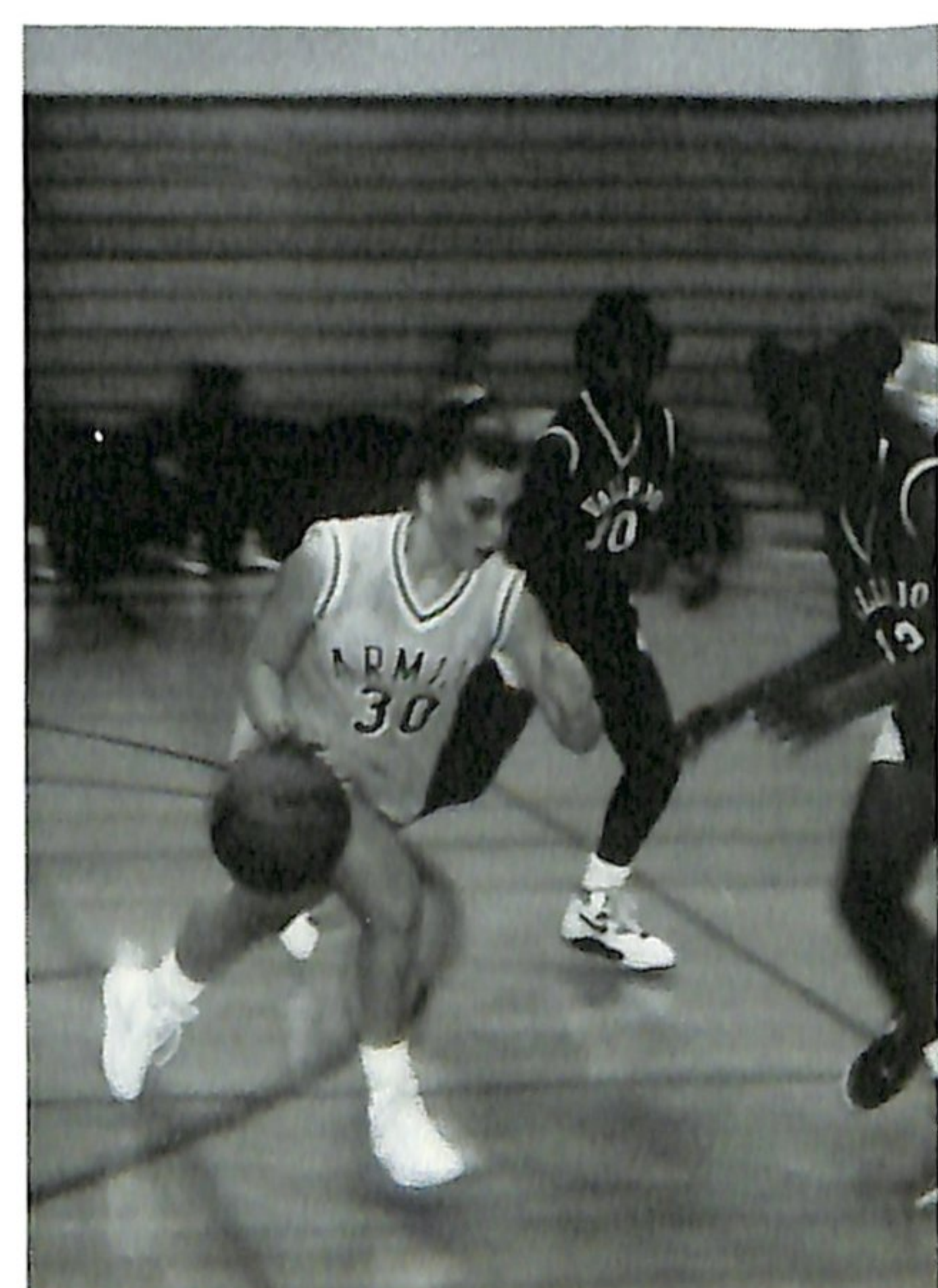


◆ Maria Lara drove past her opposition. Maria said, "Sometimes the other team seems to be everywhere. This is when the game really becomes challenging, and this is what makes it so exciting."



◆ Girls' Varsity Basketball Team: Ana Gallegos, Joy Reed, Spring Steed, Bob Pickett, Maria Lara, Tanya Pickett,

Christina Marino, Cochelle Goss, Marisa Von Bromssen, Candie Goldbronn, Robin Dorsett, Paige Ivey



◆ Becky Muscovitch moves around the players from the opposing team with ease, despite their persistent pursuit. Becky said, "I love it when I know they are trying their hardest to catch me and still can't."



◆ Varsity player, Marisa Von Bromssen waits to see whether or not Maria Lara makes a basket. Marisa said, "When one of your teammates is taking a shot, it can turn your stomach in knots as you hope for the best."

◆ Varsity player, Ana Gallegos, makes a shot from the outside of the court while warming up. Ana said, "Warming up gives you a hint of the other teams' abilities because they are next to you on the court."



▲ A. Canillo, J. Rida, E. Milton, C. Coffman, L. Bosson, M. Muir, K. Depue, C. Recknagel, E. Knox, J. Bailey, C. Butter-

field, A. Mungoal, R. Muscovitch, B. Brown.



▲ Paige Ivey gets ready to receive the ball from her high-flying teammate, Spring Steed. The team with the ball can put their chalkboard strategies into action. Spring said, "The toss-up is an important part of the game."

Sidelines



Paige Ivey was a senior this year on the Varsity Basketball team. "To be an effective basketball player, you must be confident at all times. You need to know the game," said Paige. She has seen all the younger players that play on both teams and recognizes their potential. "Our teams have a lot of undeveloped talent. When the younger players hit their stride, they will be unstoppable. The upcoming seasons will be winning ones. The other basketball teams better watch out because our basketball team is ready to win."

WINTER MAGIC



Homecoming was February 14th, Valentines Day, when love and happiness is in the air and marked the day of a royal event. Throughout homecoming week, the spirit of the student body filled the atmosphere. Each day of the week, there was a different theme that dictated special dress, such as toga day, cowboy day, dare to be different day, and the classic purple and gold day. This was the foundation where most of the spirit came from.

When Friday came, in the midst of colored arches of balloons and an excited gym full of students, the thirty nervous candidates walked down the royal, red carpet with their escorts. As they walked under the ROTC Silver

Sabers' arched swords, each candidate's future goals in life and message to society was read out loud by Megan Bell and Kelly Brannon. "When I was about to announce the King and Queen, I had a little problem. My hands were shaking so bad that I couldn't open the envelope. It was surprising to know who the King and Queen were. I was even more nervous because all eyes were on me and I still had to announce it to the rest of the school," Megan Bell explained.

The fellow candidates support each other knowing only one guy and one girl would be crowned Homecoming King and Queen. The traditional parade of the shopping cart floats took place

between the J.V. and Varsity games. Finally the moment that everybody had been waiting for, the ballots had been counted and everyone was waiting in suspense. The candidates were in their place. Who was going to be this years King and Queen? The homecoming attendants were announced: Freshmen, Christine Herrera and Kevin Martin; Sophomores, Saeuntal Covington and Leron Williams; Juniors, Johanna McKenzie and Charles Haggerty; Senior attendants, Amy Gemmer and Mike Green. This made way for the new Basketball Homecoming King and Queen, A.J. Rollins and Jenea Smith.

◆ Sophomores Casey Van Veen, Spring Steed and Wendy Birchall take great pride in their Mardi Gras float. "The prize for our float came as a surprise to us because we only started it that morning," said Spring.

◆ Behind the scenes, the juniors make final touchups on their float and prepare the penguins to take their sled out onto the "ice". Their hard work was well worth it. They came in second place.



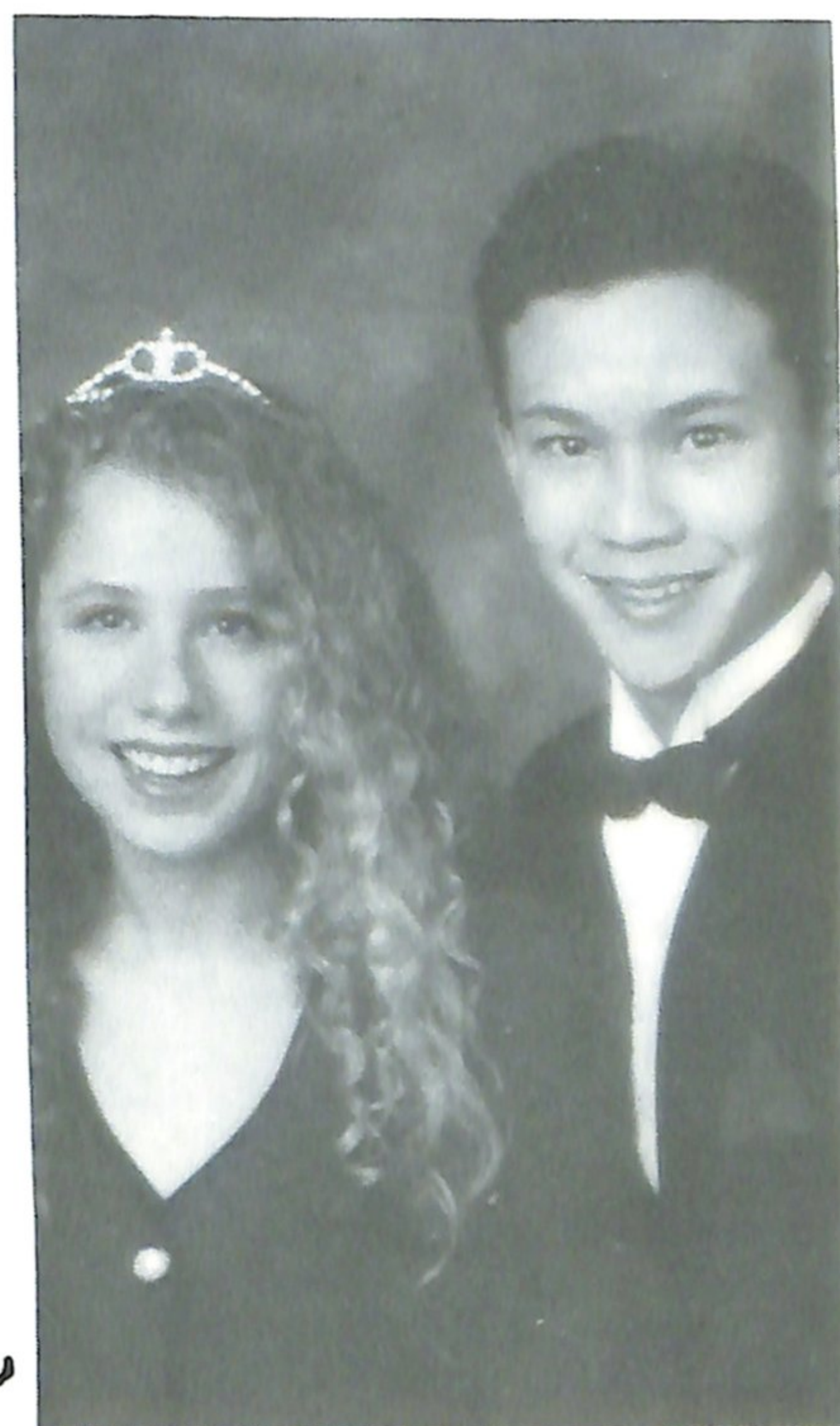
◆ Getting off to a great start Freshmen Darcy Hall and Donnie Hooper run by the crowd rushing their patients to safety. "It was my first homecoming and I was proud to represent my class float," said Darcy Hall.



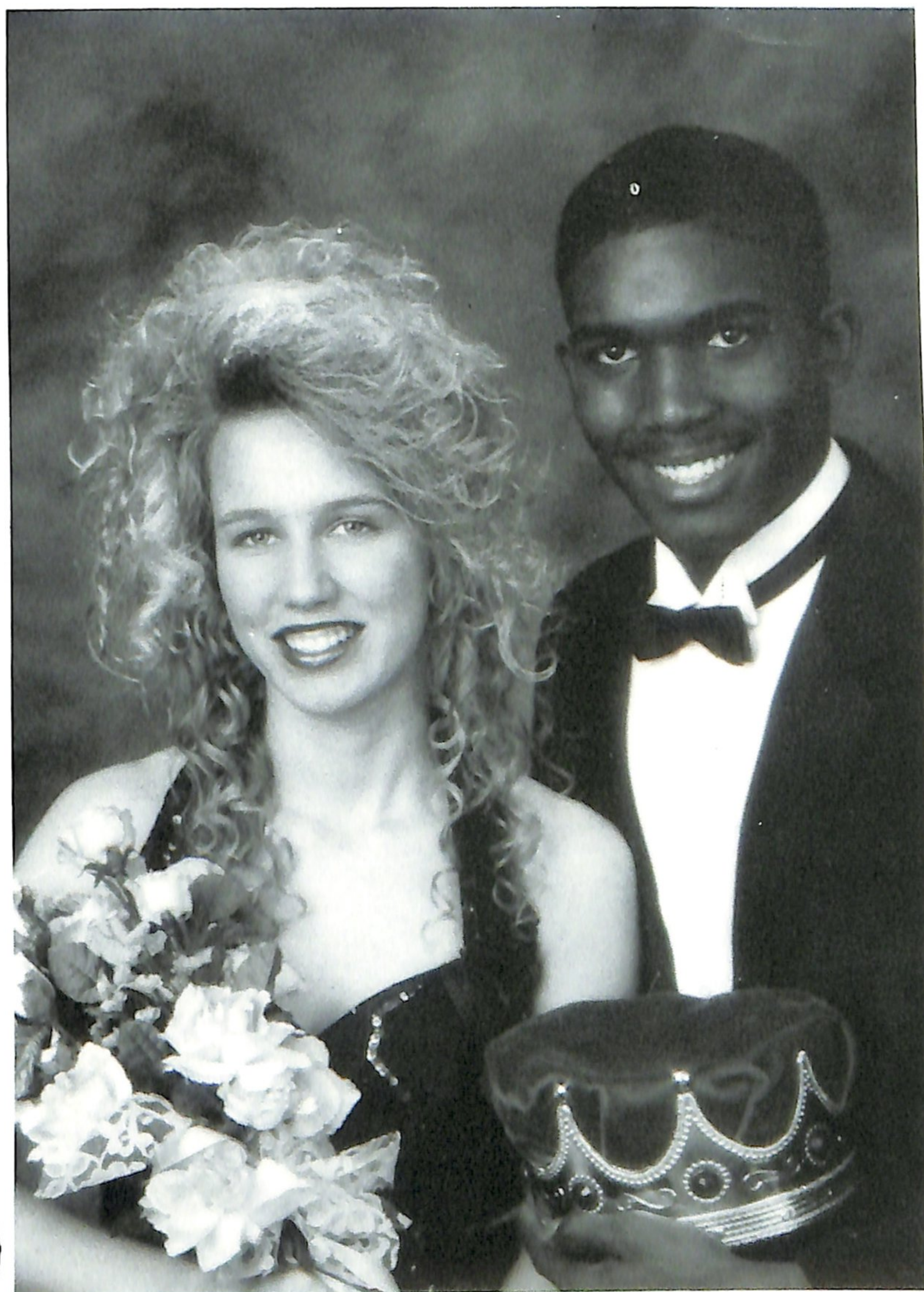
◆ Freshman attendants were Christine Herrera and Kevin Martin. Christine's message to society was, "Keep shooting for the moon and even if you miss you'll be among the stars." Kevin expresses, "I admire Martin Luther King and Michael Jordan because they are both black and excelled in our society."



◆ Johanna McKenzie and Charles Haggerty were the junior attendants. "The person who has influenced my life the most has been my mother," Johanna stated. Charles' message to society was, "Doing your best is a reward in itself."



◆ Sophomore attendants were Saeuntel Covington and Leron Williams. Saeuntel's most influential person is her mother. "I admire her strength and courage in life." Leron expresses, "I admire my mom and dad, they have stood by me in everything I have done."



◆ Jenea Smith and A.J. Rollins were crowned homecoming king and queen. Jenea's message to society was, "Walk

forward and never look back." A.J. states, "You can control your own destiny, your goals are never set to high."



◆ Amy Gemmer and Mike Green were the senior attendants. Amy's message to society was, "It's not what you do, it's how you do it." Mike Green's message was, "When it's raining wear a raincoat!"



COMING UP

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hen the community, the school, coaching staff and even some students believed our track team was almost non-existent, many more members showed up. Between 1991 and 1992, the interest in track and field events doubled, along with the heart of the team. Most of the athletes were out here to prove to the school, the league and most importantly themselves, that they could succeed. With a coaching staff of five, three of them new to Armijo High, the team's turnout was greatly appreciated.

In the past, the track team had become less of a threat to any school in the M.E.L., but they are on their way back up with a strong sense of pride and perseverance. "I think coming up from an underdog position creates a keener sense of security than anything else. After my second year, I really feel we have taken a definite turn for the better," said Shannon Jacks.

The new head coach, Mr. M. Sommer, came to Armijo with changes in mind. He was the cross country coach as well and worked primarily with the distance runners, yet still gained added interest in sprints and field events. The team learned what hard practices were and learned how to develop the talent that they had attained. Coach R. Percy attended camps that enabled him to better the team's workout. Another new coach, Ms. M. Kendall, came with a plan for sprinters and hurdlers. She was once a hurdler and greatly improved the number of interested members. "I loved running hurdles and I think that if we can get more students out on the track, then maybe someone else will have the chance to feel the same way," said Ms. Kendall.

Now with a strong coaching backbone and an increase in student interest, the track team's success was on a rise.



◆ Todd Phillips heads down the straight away to the long jump pit. Todd runs sprints and does jumping events. "Last year was so much better than my freshmen year because we had more interest," he said.

◆ Eric Perry hung in there throughout the seemingly endless practices to get a chance to compete in some invitational meets. "Next year, I will know more about the sport. I am looking forward to it," he said





◆ Shannon Jacks and Tiffany Martindale, open it up at the last 40 yards in practice. "People don't want to come out because they're afraid to 'get beat.' The key is to go out there and race yourself," said Tiffany.

♥ Stretching out before a rainy workout, team members get a chance to get their minds off books and onto the track. "The rain never made a difference, we still practiced hard every-day," said Joy Maldonado.



▲ M. Kendall, C. Sapp, (track aid), M. Pelasini, I. Dorsey, M. Eleopoulus, J. Reb, J. Patton, K. Dick, J. Fontes, E. Perry, R. Varnado, Z. Corretoir, S. Svarc, L. Williams, J. Clark, C. Cassidy, K. Harai, C. Caluzzo (track aid), M. Sommer, M. Tabares, S. Jacks, C. Goto,

A. Sanchez, M. Barentsen, M. Townsend, R. Ramirez, T. DeMarchi, T. Wallace, M. Choi, P. Young, K. Scholl, T. Martindale, M. Rodriguez, T. Phillips, T. Resultan, M. Rey, M. Painter, H. Higareda. (Not pictured: coaches, R. Percy, R. Olsen and M. Hurtado).



▲ At an early practice, Coach Sommer explains to the team the basic guidelines that will be followed and goes over the scheduled season. "I believe that we could easily have over 100 kids out here," he said of the student's interest.

◆ Charlene Goto demonstrate her strength while attempting to surpass her last mark in the shot put. "At first I thought the guys would be a problem, but they are pretty supportive and we have a good time," she said.

Sidelines



Four year veteran, Lance Williams' ability has enabled him to impress opponents and spectators alike. Lance's times in his speciality events, the 110 m and 220 m dashes, were untouched last year. "In my freshman year, there were so many opponents that I knew I had to improve to narrow the list. Now I am confident with myself and can look forward to the day of a meet," he said.

PLAY BALL!



very young man currently playing the game of baseball can remember the days when he first started out. The leathery scent of the first glove their dad bought them still lingers. They rode their bikes to the local park at top speed to start playing. They peddled hard, excited to get to the field, slide in the dirt and feel the endless energy the grass had to offer.

The summers seemed to last forever back then and baseball was a way of life. Then it was time for organized baseball, (Little League). The fanatics stuck with it and the pyramid eventually narrowed. Then one day they woke up to a glorious sun and they were on the high school baseball team. "The baseball pyramid starts out with everybody in Little League and it narrows through your life. I'm getting closer to the top and I'm just glad that I'm still a part of it," said Senior/Outfielder, Frank Bartolomucci.

Although baseball changes and becomes a more competitive game as a boy gets older, that same boy still loves the game. "I

would not be out there if I didn't love the game. I can't see myself not playing baseball," said two year varsity pitcher, Fabian Lara.

With such dedicated members, there's no wonder why our baseball team is a successful one. "Even though we lost some key players last year, This year's team still carried on the successful tradition Armijo baseball is known for," replied optimistic Sophomore, Brad Brewer.

With all the time and energy playing high school ball requires, dedication is a must. "You've got to be dedicated if you're out here," commented veteran, Chris Wilhite, "and we are. I saw it every day at practice and at the games."

Baseball to these individuals is clearly much more than a form of exercise, it's a way of life. "When I look back on my high school years, one of the things that I'll be extremely proud of will be the way I pushed myself and succeeded between the white lines of the fields I played on," remarked Dave Moraga.



▲ J.V.: R. McGurk, M. Thomas, R. Morgan, J. Strain, L. Bardis, J. Aveytia, J. Cherry, B. Talley, E. Eppand, G. Millan, C. Favela, L. Hill, S. Fragosa, M.

Lee, K. Darby, V. Mendez, A. Ferronato, G. Falkenstein, T. Gallentine, Coach Gallentine-not pictured.



▲ Freshmen: A. Carlock, N. Bottom, R. Plug, M. Patman, C. Hirl, C. Wright, D. Asada, C. Tornaci, A. Ippolito, S. Mad-

dox, Coach Williams, S. Hardy, J. Carraway, J. Miller, S. Chen, D. Stevens, J. Fraser R. Lentz, E. Leon.

▲ Two year varsity player and only a sophomore is starting shortstop, Brad Brewer. "You've got to crawl before you can walk. Fundamentals are an important part of the game and we realize that out here."

▲ Going wild in the cage, Dallin Hogan works on his hitting. This is just one of the many ways one can get another step closer to that perfect swing. "I like being in the cage and just hitting ball after ball," said Dallin.

◆ Like any other sport, baseball requires good physical fitness and while the majority of the time, the players were fairly stationary, that didn't stop Coach Marshall from keeping the boys in shape. Catcher, Donnie Cooper had this to say about the amount of running involved. "It's tough sometimes, but eventually, it payed off."



◆ Varsity C. Jones, J. Goldbronn, N. Pring, A. Weirich, M. Bell, F. Bartolomucci, L. Smith, R. Percy, J. Fraser, M. Jensen, B. Brewer, C. Carlock, D. Cooper, E. Rodriguez, M. Mederios. D.

Marshall, D. Moraga, C. Wilhite, J. Maldonado, F. Lara, P. Chilson, S. Jansen, M. Warren, D. Hoggan, M. Whilhite.



◆ First year varsity player, Clyde Jones lets it fly. Clyde was an outfielder and he realized the importance of having a strong and accurate arm. "Baseball is a game of inches, so it's important to make good throws."

◆ Senior infielder Chris Wilhite, enjoyed his last year of high school baseball. "There was still a lot of pressure, being a team leader and all, but at the same time, I felt relaxed out there," commented Chris.

Sidelines



A huge fan of Andy Van Slyke (centerfielder for the Pittsburgh Pirates), Frank Bartolomucci is the starting centerfielder for the Varsity team, following in the footsteps of his childhood hero. Frank has a consistently successful swing at the plate, and Coach Marshall noticed it. Frank was brought up to the Varsity squad for a "look see" his Sophomore year, but was sidelined by a vicious hop at second base. "It was a learning experience. I learned that I feel much more comfortable in the outfield," said Frank. "Frank plans to pursue baseball for as long as possible after high school."

UP TO BAT!

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ome people think that softball is not much of a sport, but are they wrong! The girls on both the Varsity and the Junior Varsity team worked very hard during daily practices to prepare for their games. The weather never stopped them from practicing to improve their hitting, throwing, and catching skills. Instead of canceling practice because of the pouring rain experienced during the earlier part of the season, they would just move it inside the gym.

Morning practices were what really separated the strong from the weak. The players would have to get up early enough to get to practice at 6:30 a.m. They would practice from the time they got to school until about 7:30. "Morning practices were all right. If we had to practice, we had to practice," commented Stacy Weathers.

The Varsity team had seven returning players, four of which were seniors. Sophomore Roberta Arand, the pitcher for the team had been playing softball for eight years. "I like playing because it's fun and interesting. I also get to meet new people," remarked Roberta.

Along with the veterans were the new players. They either were promoted from the following years' Junior Varsity team or they showed great promise during tryouts. For whatever reason, they worked hard to earn the positions they deserved. Jennifer Smith explained why she enjoyed playing softball. "It's a competitive and rewarding sport. It's fun to be part of a team, especially when everyone is friends. I'm really happy I was able to play on Varsity."



◆ Mrs. Hargro and Ms. Orri discussed how the J.V. team was looking. "I thought the team would win three quarters of the games provided we had no health problems. It appeared to be a prosperous season," said Mrs. Hargro.



◆ Rachel Melnikow threw the ball back to the pitcher after catching a pop fly. "This was my first year on a team. I used to play with my friends just for fun. It wasn't anything competitive. I just wanted to try playing on the team," said Rachel.





◆ Melissa Payaslian hit the ball deep into centerfield during an afternoon practice. Melissa was a senior and played her final year. "I'm really happy about graduating, but I'm also a little sad because I'm going to miss Ms. Linville."

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◆ Denise Dilbeck ran to first base after bunting the ball during practice. "I thought the Varsity team would do good. I'm glad that I got to play on the team because it's a lot of fun." Denise played both second and outfield.

◆ Varsity: S. Klass, K. Beckerdite, S. Weathers, P. Ivey, J. Smith, R. Dorsett, D. Dilbeck, A. Kessler, D. Kromm, M. Payaslian, M. Linville.



◆ Senior Dana Kromm has played on Armijo's softball team since her sophomore year. "I like playing center field because you're in the outfield and at the center of the action," said Dana.

Sidelines



Kristen Beckerdite played third base for the Varsity team. "I've played softball for twelve years. I used to play in summer leagues like F.F.A." She had high hopes for the team. "I thought we'd go to sections because of all the returning players we were getting from last year's team." Kristen is really serious about playing softball. "When I go to college I plan on playing on the team. It's a fun sport and a lot of my friends play."

BIRDIES FLY

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ith all of the cutbacks in school funds, it's nice to know that the Armijo Badminton team made it through with flying colors. Year after year, things remain the same or they tend to get better and the latter goes without saying when it comes to the badminton team. The team's potential player turnout was unexpectedly large, according to Ms. Meek, the team coach. "I was really happy about the large turnout because there was more people to choose from." This was not the first year the team was co-ed. Last year's team was also large and had twenty-four female and eight male players.

No one faced discrimination on the team. Joanne Barber, a senior and three year badminton veteran had this to say, "Having guys on the team made us strive to be as good as they were. It was also a lot more fun because it broke the monotony of an all-girl team."

The year, the team held its first practice for returnees and boys

only. Ms. Meek held off welcoming new players to the team until later in the month. The team practiced on Wednesdays and Thursdays in the big gym. It sounds a little late but the team had to wait anxiously while the basketball team held its practices and games after school.

Keep in mind that just because badminton is an indoor sport, doesn't mean these players don't sweat it out. Players rush about the court, furiously swatting to make sure that the birdie doesn't come even as close as one *inch* to the ground. Senior team member Sheri Murphy said, "Sometimes it gets stressful. The hardest part of the game is accepting defeat."

The team goal was to be the MEL Champs and they played other Monticello Empire League teams such as Vallejo, Vacaville, and Vintage. It was obvious the team's goal was victory and this could be sensed by their overall enthusiasm at practices and games.



◆ Getting close to the net, Becky Canaday is on to her opponents intentions by avoiding a drop shot. "Badminton is similar to tennis so I picked it up easily. I play strong and I do it for fun," commented Becky a three year veteran.



◆ When asked about why he chose to play badminton, Dieu Ly said, "I wanted to play tennis, but I've played badminton for so long that I just stuck with it." Dieu's sister got him started with the sport and he

continued: "When I first started I was uncomfortable because I was a male. But I don't believe it's a "girls sport" because it is so aggressive," said Dieu. "It's not a leisure sport."



◆ After school, Anita Gonzales goes to badminton practices to better her games. "I play because I want to get involved in school. It keeps me busy and out of trouble. It's fun and that's why I love it. It's my best sport," said Anita.



◆ In the locker room, Darlene Timberman prepares for a match. "Badminton clears my mind of the stress of school," said Darlene. "I'm glad I joined the team because it gives me something to do other than homework."

♥ This year was unique because of the amount of guys on the team. Son Pham smashes the birdie as Mitzi Lew watches. "I play harder against guys because they are usually better than girls," said Mitzi.



◆ During team tryouts, Ms. Meek watches the individuals to get the perfect selection for her badminton team. As a coach, it is her duty to make sure she gets a good enough team to compete in the M.E.L. This year their goal was to be M.E.L. Champions.

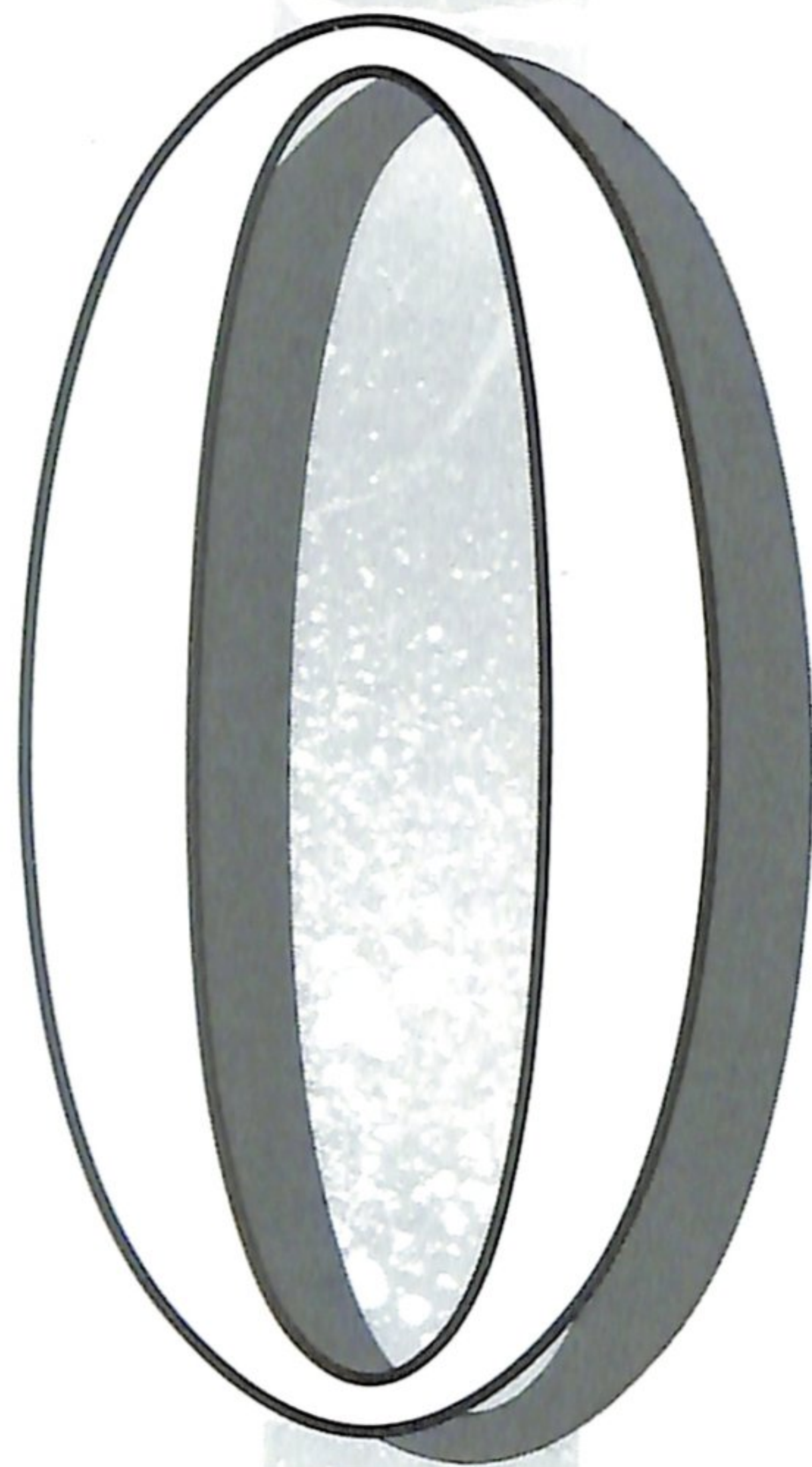
◆ With a graceful swing Jan Neeley returns a serve from a fellow teammate at practice. "My friends got me started with the sport. I try my hardest and I do what I can for the team. Also it's a good form of exercise," said Jan.

Sidelines



The sport of badminton is nothing new to the three year veteran, Jennifer Francisco. "My friend, Lovdip Basi, encouraged me to get started. She supported me and helped me along," said Jennifer. She loves the thrill she gets from competing and the fun of the game. Practice has made her a strong player. But even the most excellent players sometimes have their faults. Once, in an intense match with her partner Susie Takhar, Jennifer smashed the birdie into her partner's back. "It was really stupid of me," said Jennifer. "I said I was sorry after she chased me around the court with her racket."

SERVE'S UP



One of the best things about tennis is the fact that it is a sport that is both an individual and team sport. A tennis player can play singles and have only themselves to blame and support, or can play doubles and have to work as partners for success.

"I play doubles and I love being able to adapt my play to doing only what I'm good at," said Casey VanVeen. Doubles is one of the two disciplines of tennis. While doubles can benefit a player by giving them a boost if that person excels at tennis, the opposite can also hold true.

The most important thing for a doubles player to do, is get a partner who is roughly equivalent in playing ability and whom is someone that person can get along with. "My partner is really easy to get along with, and he makes playing a lot more fun," said Reed Gomes.

Singles is the other discipline of tennis. This is the strong individ-

ual part of tennis. When a singles player is playing a match, the only person he can count on is himself. "I like singles because of the challenge involved of having to fend for yourself," said Eric Twitchell.

Together, singles and doubles matches make up the games. At a typical game, there are four singles matches and three doubles matches. With all these separate matches out on the court, it is easy to forget that to the individual player each match seems like the only one.

The most important thing, however, is the fact that everyone who plays tennis is on a team. While each individual match might seem personal, whether one plays hard or not affects the entire team in general. "Whenever I win, I feel good not just for myself, but for the fact that I know I helped the whole team," said Marc Hsu. That is the beauty of tennis, a sport where you can both play for yourself and for the team.

♦ Marc Hsu shows why he was appointed a singles player. His powerful strokes were his best asset. "I love the power that I can put into a forehand. There is nothing better than the sound a winner makes against the racket," he said.



◆ Tossing the ball high in the air, Reed Gomes prepares to make a strong serve. "If you have a powerful serve, like I do, you can't lose," said Reed. The serve is one of the most important strokes in the game.



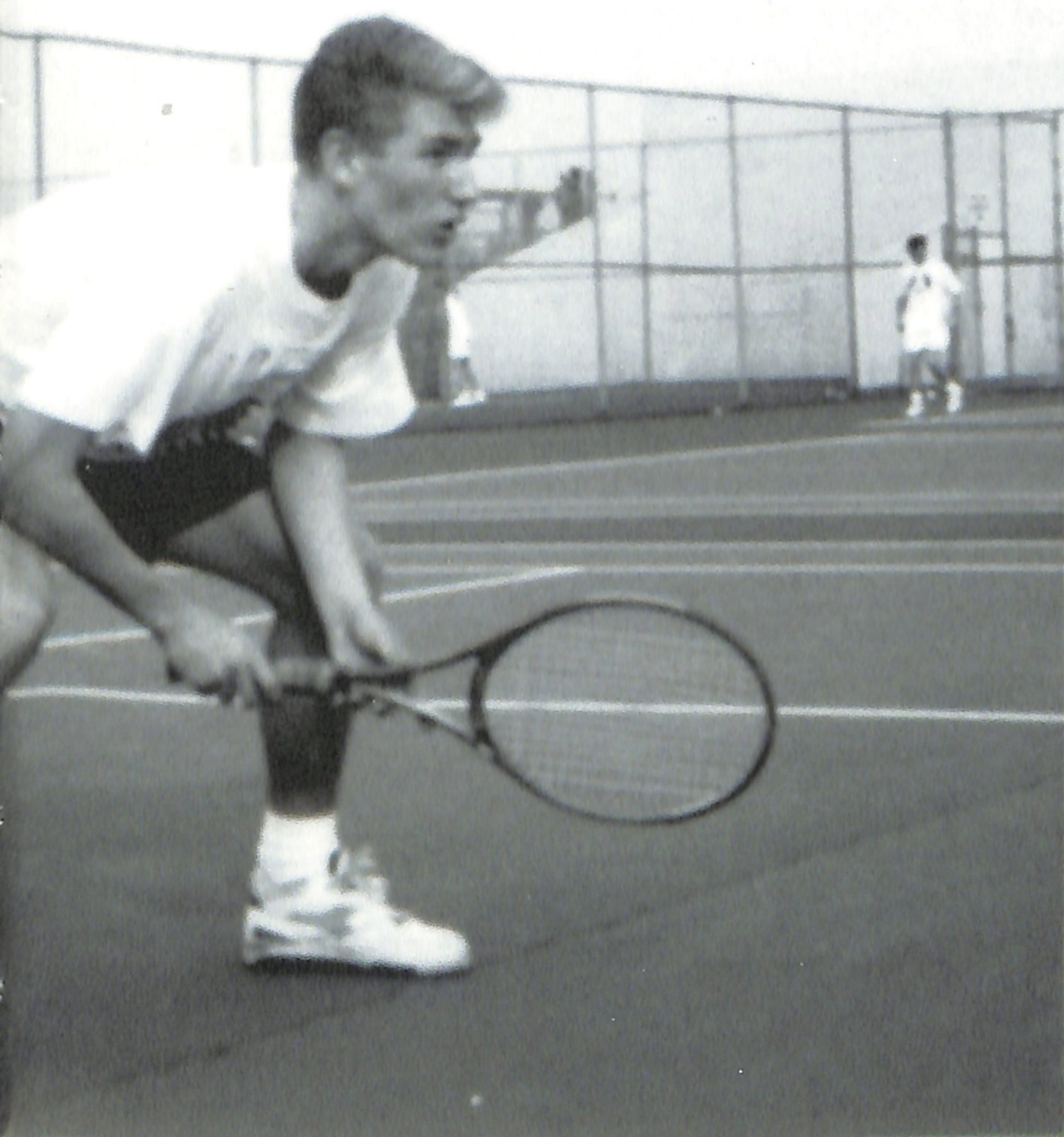
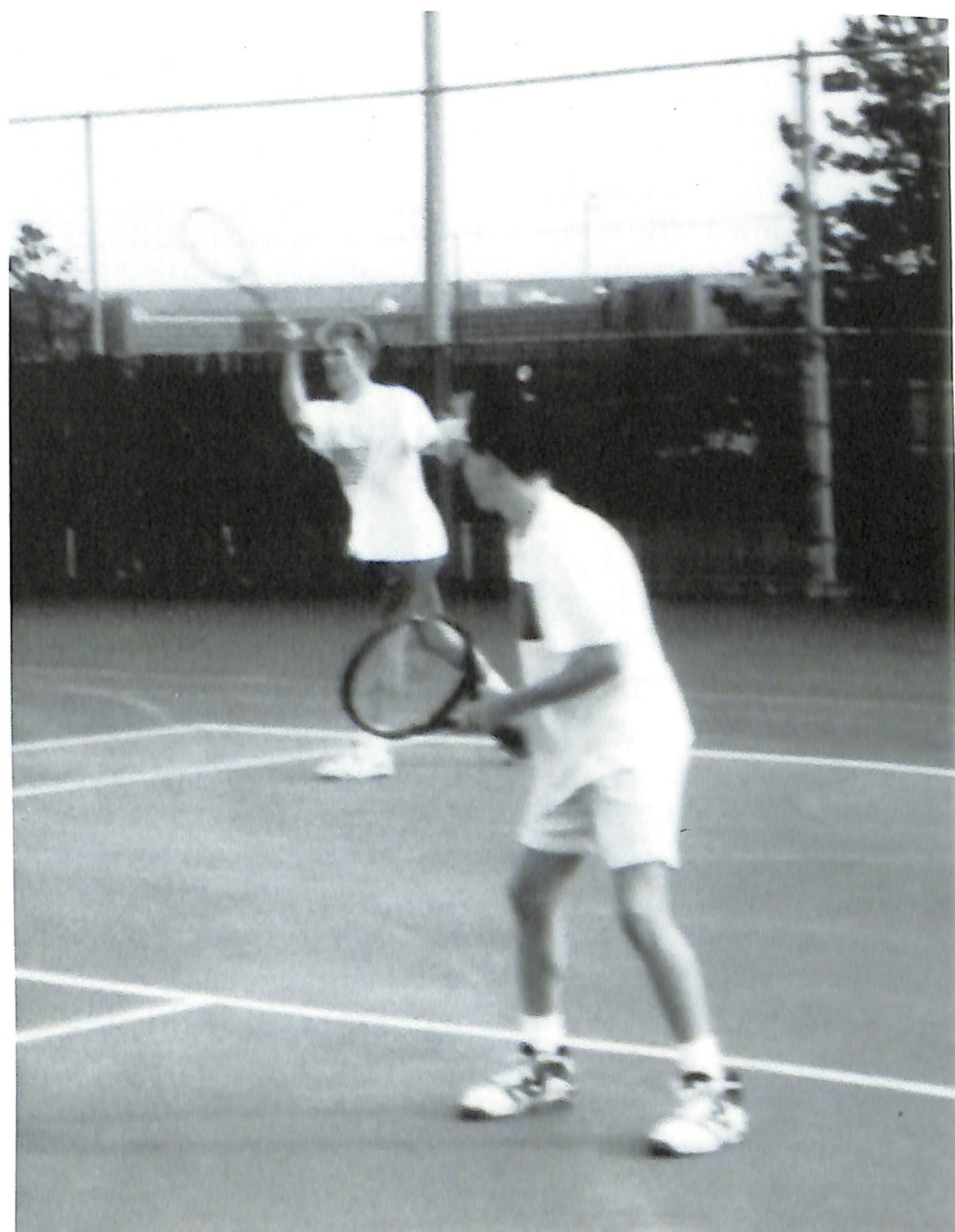
◆ David Warner, Sean Honeychurch, David Finlinson, Reed Gomes, Kelsey Chew, Greg Arendes, Tom Regan, Doug Warner, Brett Meltzer, Aaron Abreu, Chris Bau, Jeremy Cooley, Brad Marymen, Ben Malmquist, Devin Boyce, Casey VanVeen, Raul Bashi, Troy Conhain, Vern Francisco, and Ryan Finkas.

◆ One of the keys to playing tennis well is concentration. David Finlinson understands that and shows why he is an excellent doubles player. "When I'm waiting for a shot, I try to be aware of everything that is taking place on the court," he said.



♥ Serving the ball, Troy Conhain starts the point as Sean Honeychurch anticipates possible returns. These are two of the younger players, so watch for them in the future. "This is only my second year of high school tennis, but I definitely plan to stick with it," said Sean.

♦ The return of the serve is a crucial move, as the serve is one of the hardest shots to return. "Ball placement is the key to hitting a good return," says David Finlinson. His partner Doug Warner stands in amazement as David hits a picture perfect shot.



▲ Whipping the racket back in his follow through, number one singles player Eric Twitchell hits a cross court winner. "It's all a matter of being in the right place at the right time," he said. Eric's agility is what led him to the top of the pack.

Sidelines



One of this year's outstanding players was Chris Baum. This was the sophomore's second year of playing tennis and his first year on the team. As a hard worker, his determination has won him the respect of the team. He says, "I play tennis because I enjoy it. My goal this year was simply to make the team and improve my play in the process." He plans to stay with the sport and to play higher on the ladder next year. His advice to newcomers, "Practice hard every day."

Our community is growing and so is the population of our school. New efforts were made each year to mix the business people and students. Programs were developed to expand the horizons and open the minds of both the teens and adults. With interest in a closer relationship between schools and the workplace growing stronger and stronger each year, ties between the two are becoming more and more important.

One way the business community gets involved with the teen, is found in the work world. Many students spent the year balancing schoolwork and a part-time job after school. Managers of different businesses were more than willing to help out students with an introduction to their first job. Employment opportunities at the Solano Mall, local theaters, fast food restaurants and some business offices down town became more of a "necessity" to meet costs of teenage life. With cars and clothes to pay for, students looked to businesses to get cash and an education into a prospective career field.

Another example of the involvement between the community and school is the Shadow Program. "The Shadow Program gave me a chance to experience what a job can offer," said Apear El Turk. Students followed business leaders throughout Fairfield and Vacaville to experience what it was like to have a particular job. Many of the businesspersons were members of the Fairfield Rotary Club and the students who shadowed them attended their luncheon-meeting. Jesse Gros, who followed Joan Lovell from Uniglobe Advantage Travel, said, "I think that the Shadow Program was a good idea because it gave students a feeling of what a certain job might be like." In all, ten seniors and five juniors were given the opportunity to explore the corporate world. Plans are being made in order to increase the number of people involved in the years to come.

We are becoming closer and closer in a relationship with the businesspersons in Fairfield and are getting a better understanding of what exactly we have to look forward to in the future. In the years to come, our school and the businesses will become more in tune with each other's goals and will work together on a much higher level of understanding and cooperation.



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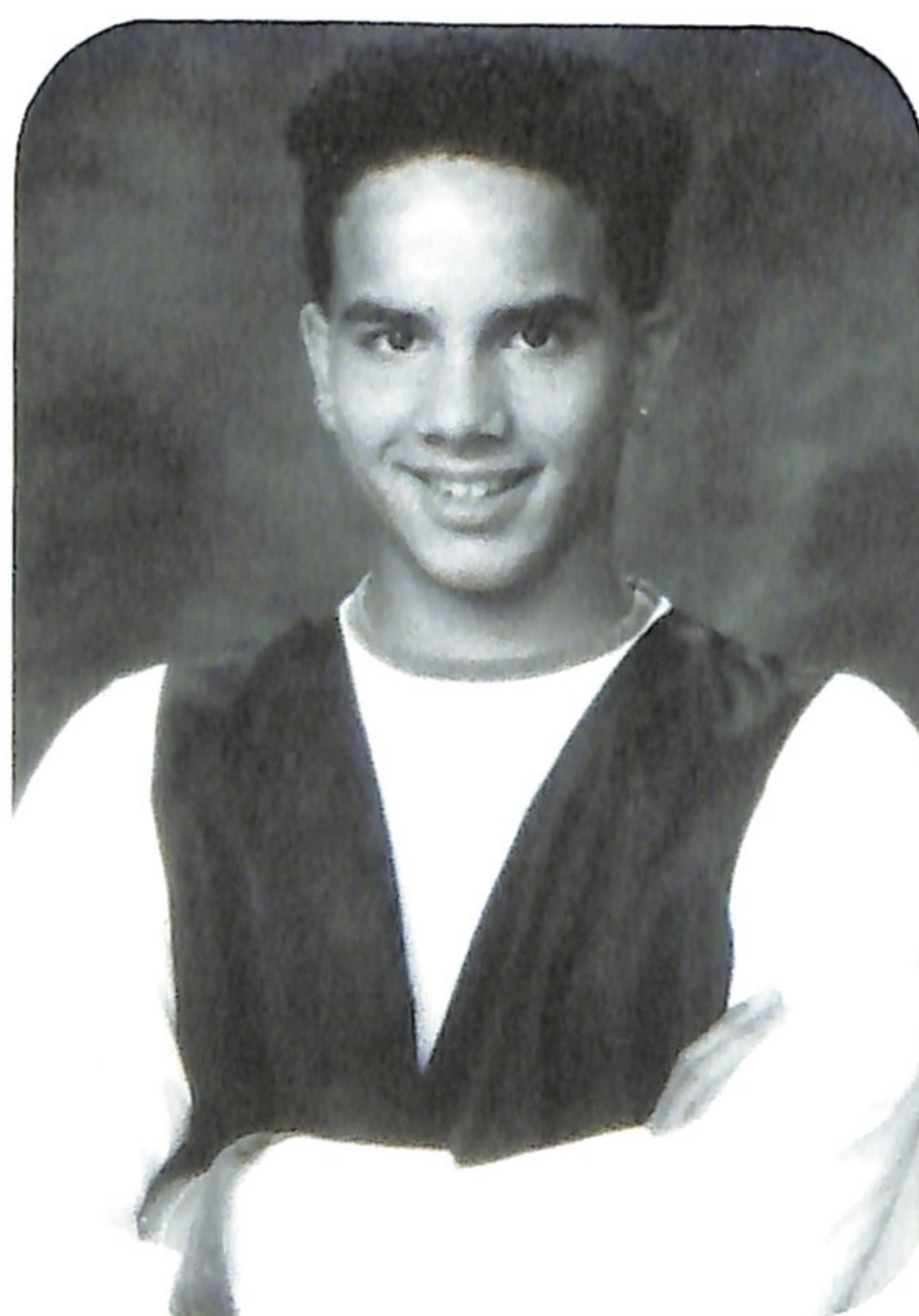
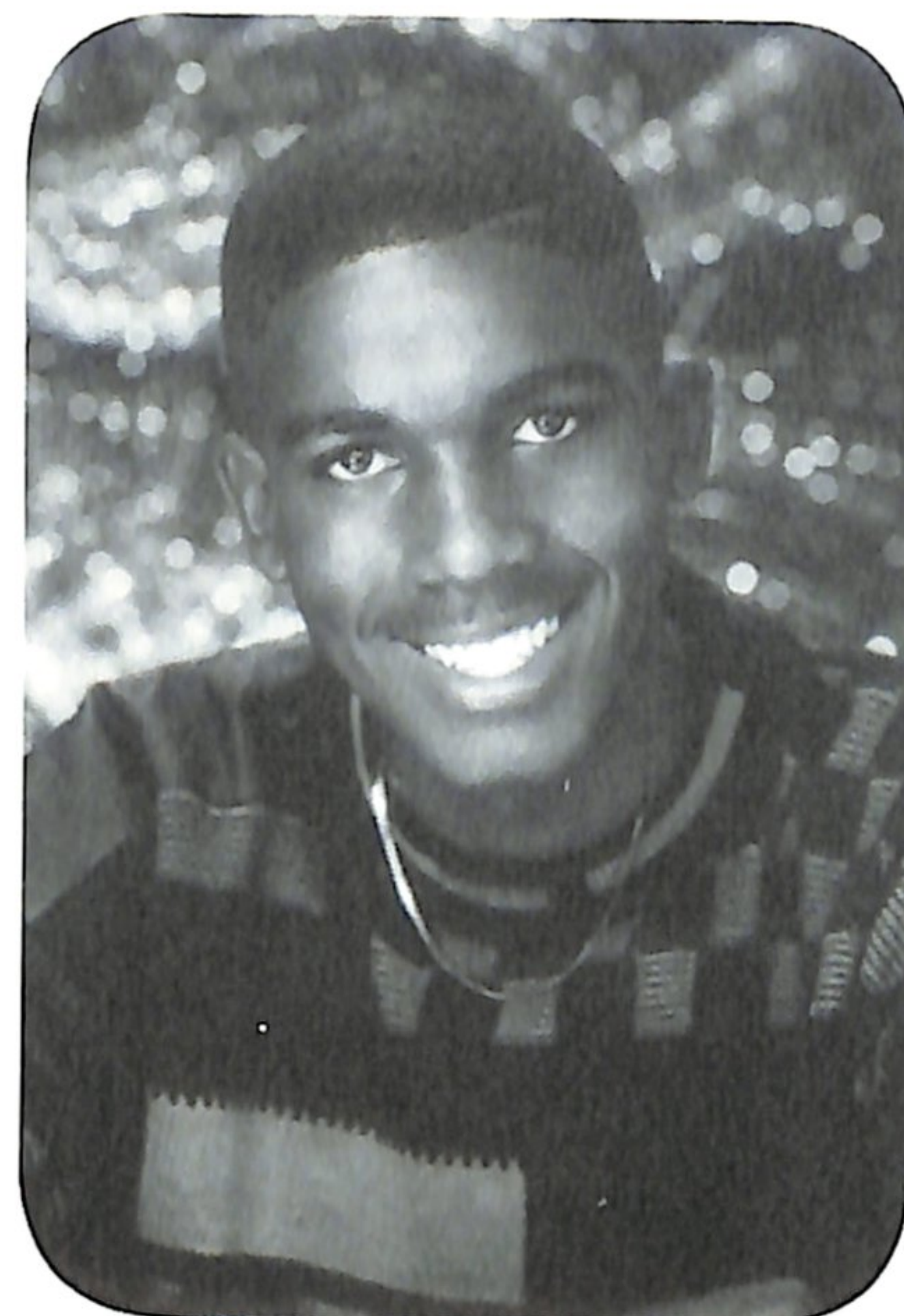
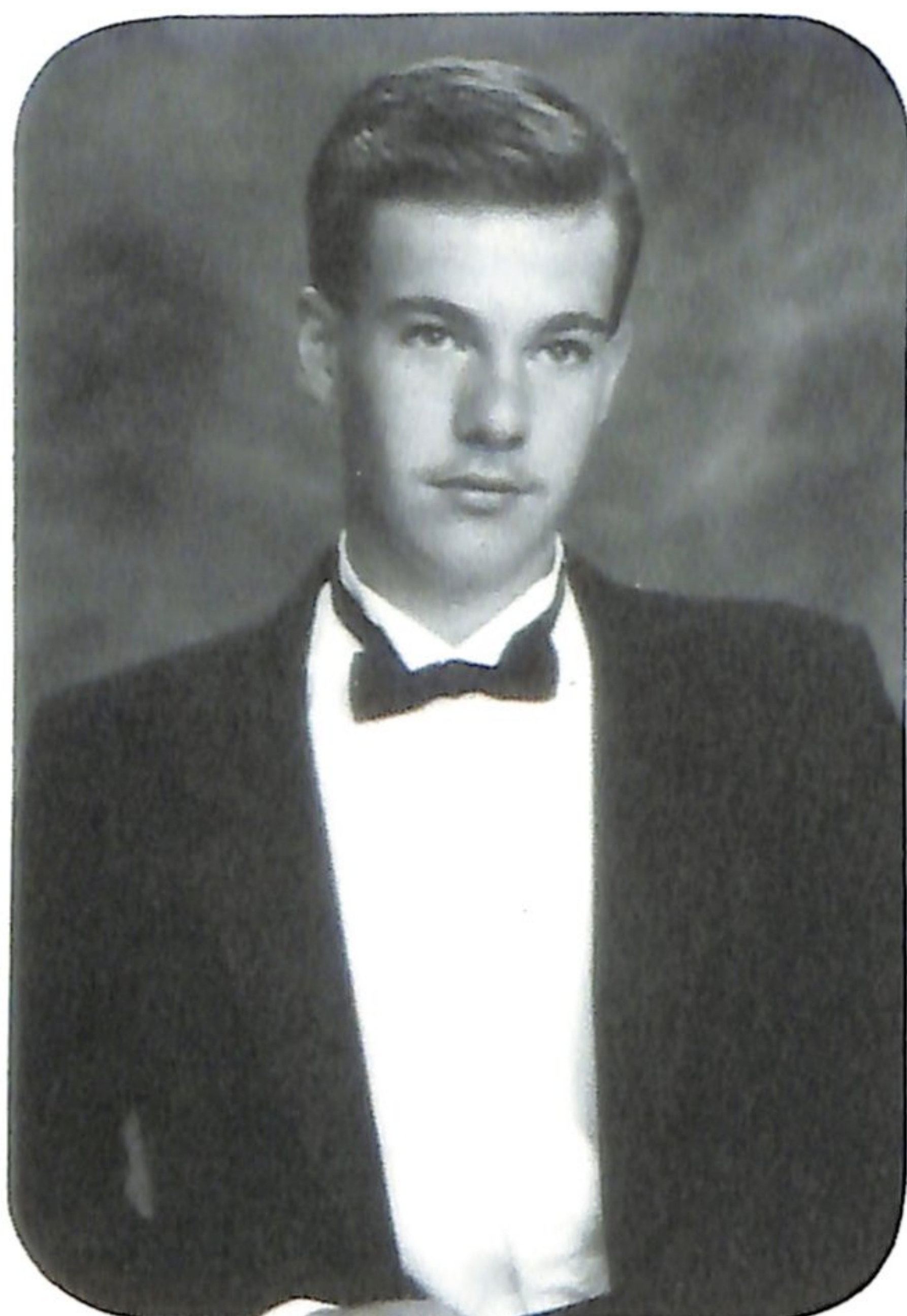
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◆ Mayor Gary Falati, an Arnijo graduate, pointed out our school amidst the fast growing city of Fairfield to Agnis Shin and Andre Abara. This is just one example of how civic leaders throughout our community shared the city's goals with students from our school. "It's really good to know that our community leaders care about the students and what they think," said Agnis Shin.

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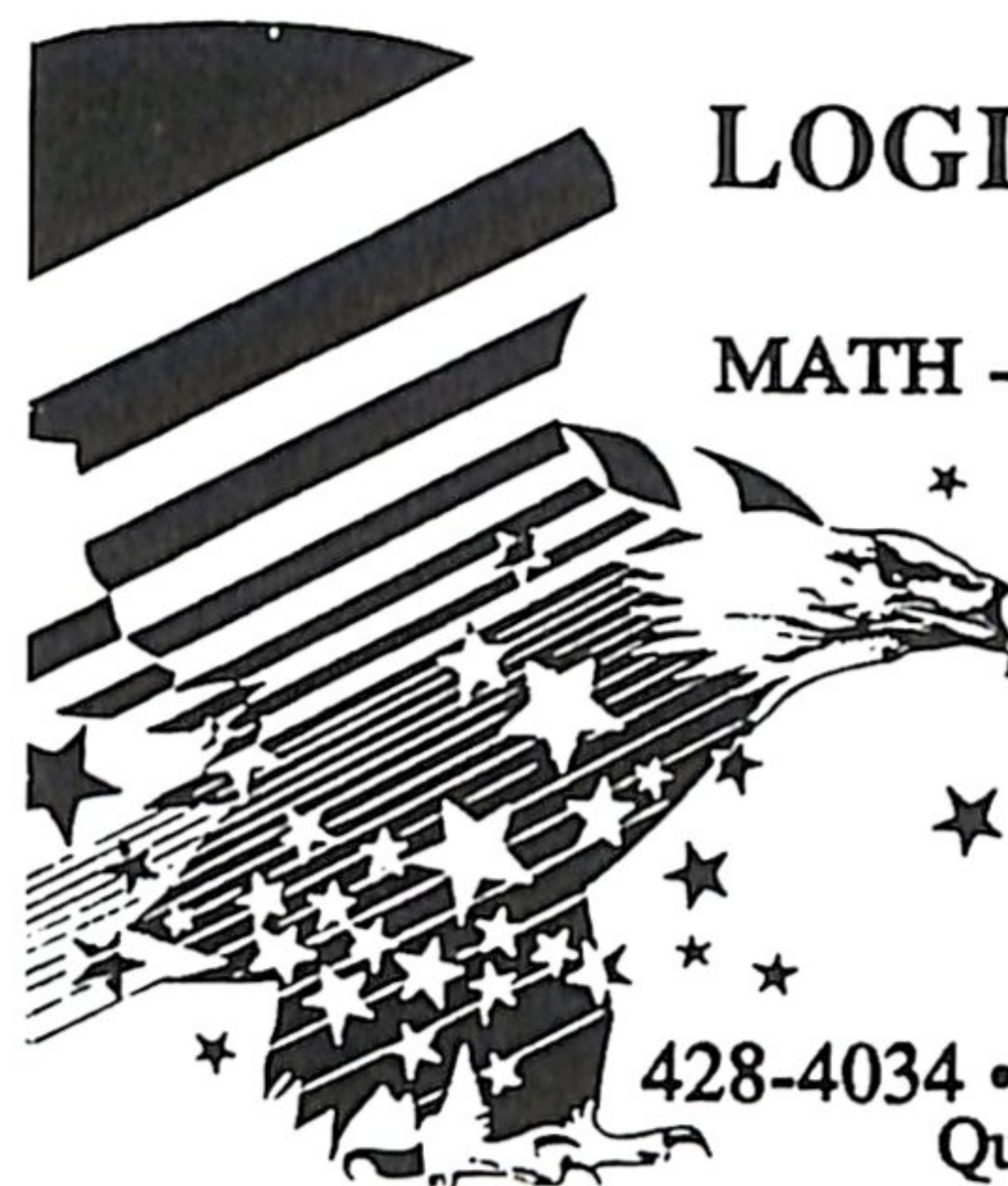


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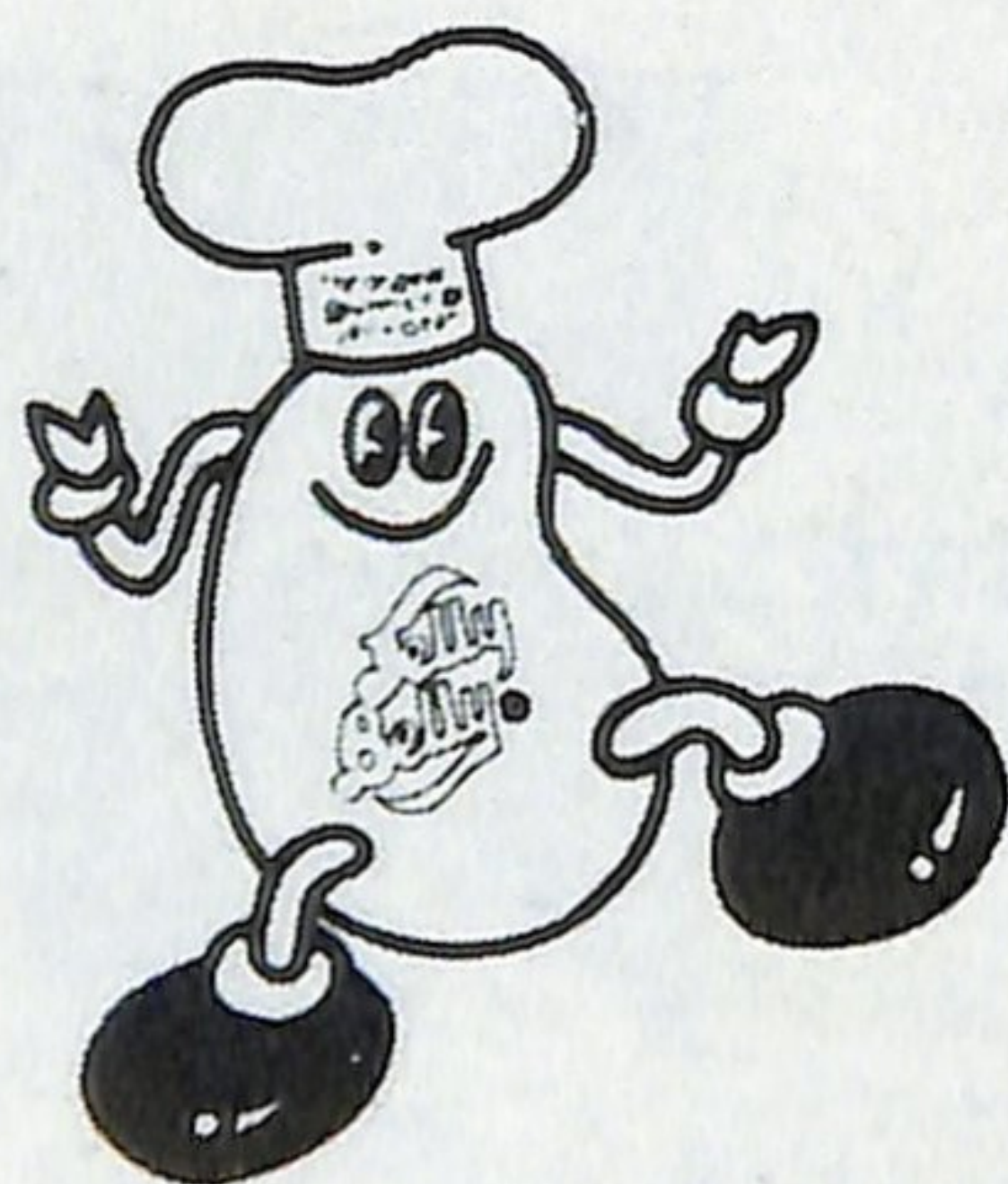
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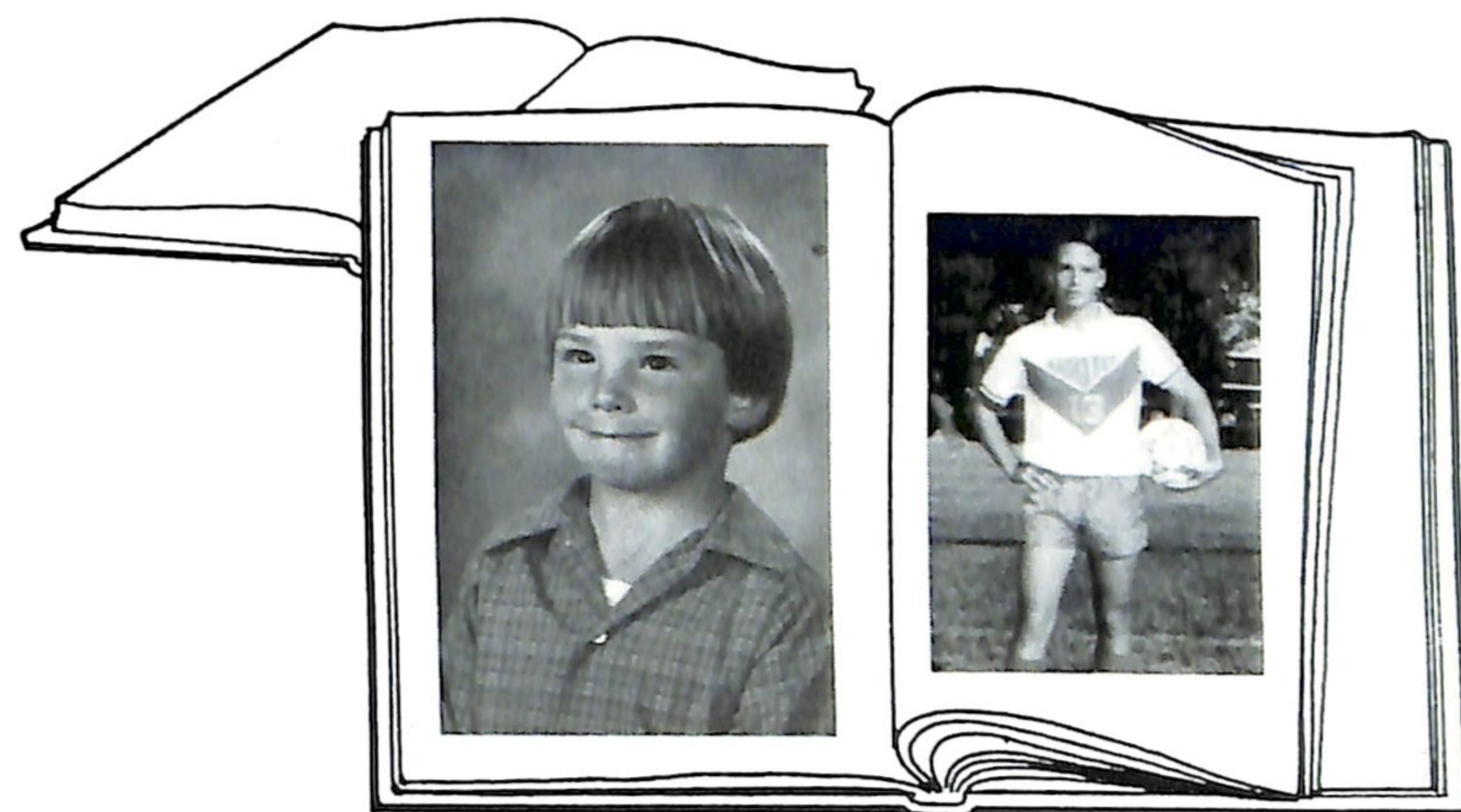
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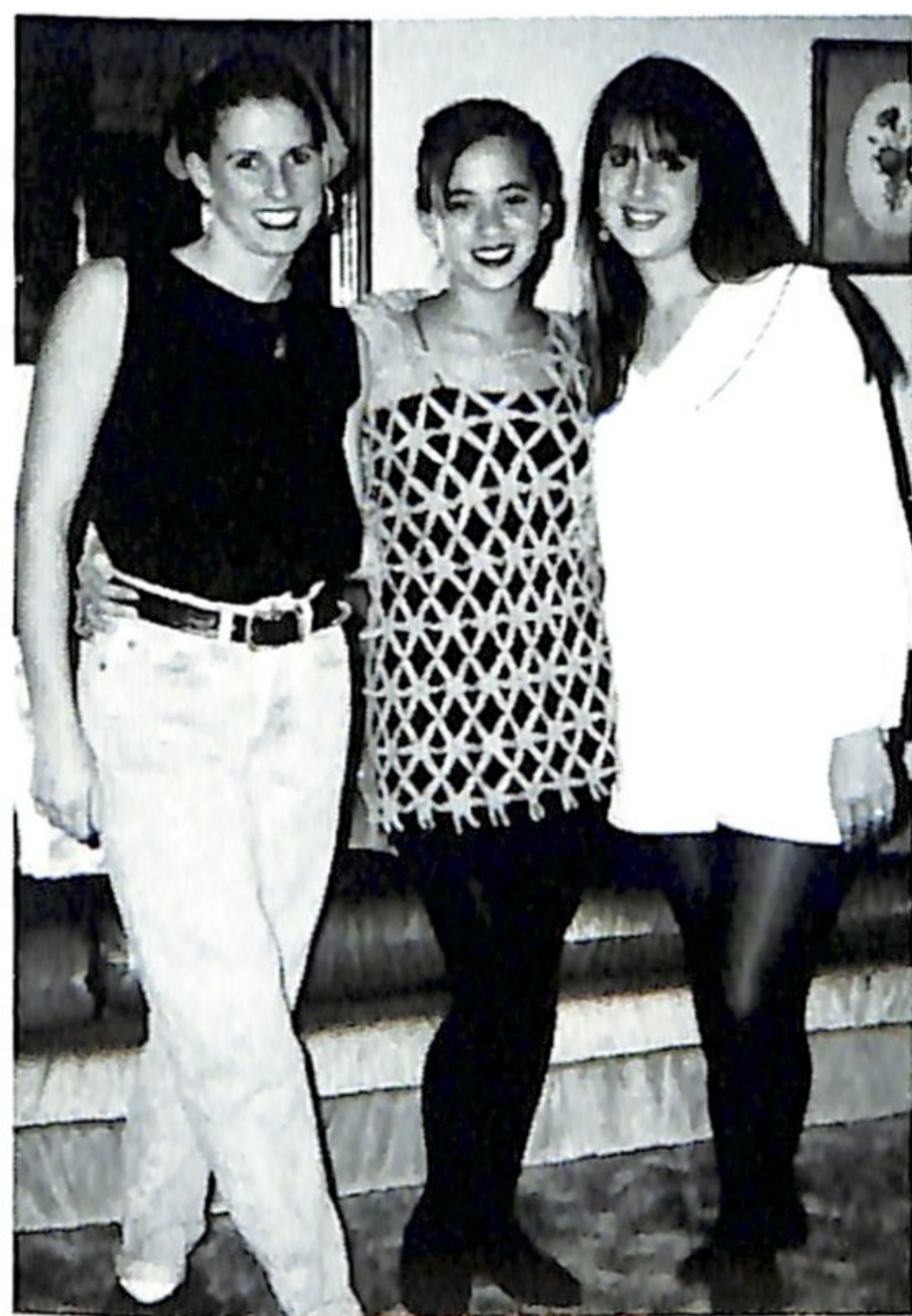
Dear Johnny,

It has been a joy watching you grow up to become the man that the little boy can admire. I wouldn't have missed it for the world!

With Love

"The best thing for being sad," replied Meryl... "is to learn something. That is the only thing the mind can never exhaust, never alienate, never be tortured by, never fear or distrust, and never dream of regretting. Look at what a lot of things there are to learn..."

-T.H. White, *The Once and Future King*



Here's To
The Nights
that We'll
Never
Forget...
Friends
Forever...

Robin, Keri, Julie, Jenea, and Amy



PETER ADAMS

Graduation is the culmination of many trying years. Now the world is open to you. Try your wings, son, and fly with the eagles. We love you, Mom and Dad

Dear Ian,

We have watched you grow, and your gifts have grown with you. Use them and they will take you far. We love you Bubba, and are proud of you.
Mom and Dad



Amy Gemmer

Happy Graduation to our very special girl! Congratulations on all you've accomplished in 4 years at Armijo. There's no stopping you now. Your loving family, Mom, Dad, Todd, and Andrew



You've come a long way, Cerise! We love you.

Ken Sr., Cheryl, Kevin, Ken Jr., Kory, and Kyle.



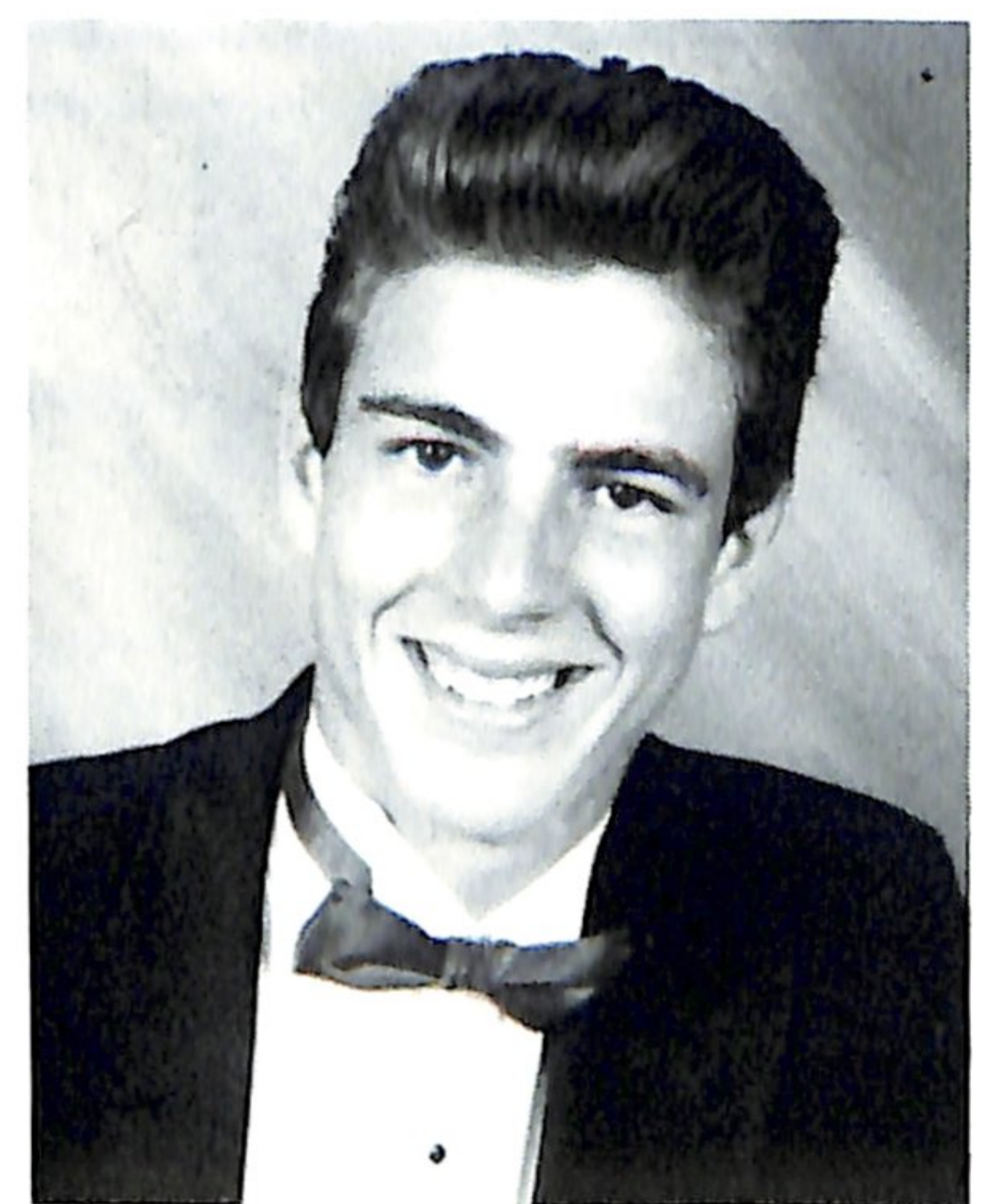
How long the road is! But for all the time
Angela Nicole Walker
"Angie"

How you have needed every second of it in order to learn what the road has to offer. You have already taken the journey of your family. How you have needed every second of it in order to learn what the road has to offer.

As you begin your newest journey, remember we've given you roots, now we give you wings. We love you always. Mom and Rich



Das Hammarstjöld



Jason,

You were a joy today. We're very proud of the young man you've become, your compassionate nature, and your ready smile. Congratulations on this achievement, one of many to become. We love you. Mom & Dad



CONGRATULATIONS

LISA FREER



The years have flown by and they've been wonderful! Looking forward to college is exciting. We love you and are sooo proud of you!!!

Love, Mom and Dad



**THAT WAS
THEN, THIS IS
NOW!**

Angie,

We have loved you from the moment you were put in our arms. You have accomplished very much in 18 years. You were a Jr. Dairy Princess, Iowa Preteen, And a cheerleader for 3 years. Our best wishes in your future teaching career. We love you very much.

Mom, Dad, and Cliff





TRACY DORSEY



This is the day we have dreamed of for many years. Our daughter graduating from high school. Tracy, you are one of two very special people in our lives and we wish that all you want to accomplish in life, you will.

Tracy as you go through life, you will not always be dealt equal opportunities, but let NO man stand in your way. Always remember to keep God in your life and the values you've grown up with, keeping in mind to always demand respect.

Our blessings are with you as they have always been and we'll always be here when you need us.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Love Always and Forever,
Mom and Dad
(June 11, 1992)



AMY

Our brown-eyed little girl is now a graduate. Best of luck in your great adventure. Love,
Mom, Dad, and Brian

CONGRATULATIONS and BEST WISHES...



to our wonderful daughter, Dae, and to our daughter from downunder, Melanie thank you for a most enjoyable year. Love, Mom and Dad

CONGRATULATIONS
Angie Walker,
Our future dentist!



We are all very proud of you and
wish you the very best.
We'll miss you lots,
The Doctors and Staff at
Parkside Dental

This above all: to thine own self
be true,
And it must follow, as the night
the day,
Thou canst not then be false to
any man.

Hamlet Act I Scene 3



Love,
Mom
and
Grandma



CONGRATULATIONS!
Armijo High School
on your
100th Anniversary

Best Wishes to the class of 1992 from the
Pennsylvania family of Peter J. Adams-'92
Mom-Mom says-Way to go, Pete!

Mom-Mom, Aunt Joanne & Uncle Ed, Chas, Re-Re,
Colby & Michael, Joani & Toni, Margaret, Mike, Mi-
chael, & Amy



Keith,

We are so proud of you, your achievements, and the wonderful person you've become.

SEMPER FI

Love,

Mom, Dad, Scott, Bryan, and Michael



Cynthia,
We are so very proud of you at this special time in your life.



Graduation from high school is the first giant step to a wonderful future. Our little girl is now a beautiful young lady, but always our baby. We love you,
Mom & Dad



Tiffany,

You've come a long way, baby... Congratulations and thanks for the memories.

Love,

Mom & Dad
5 & 10, 12 & 7

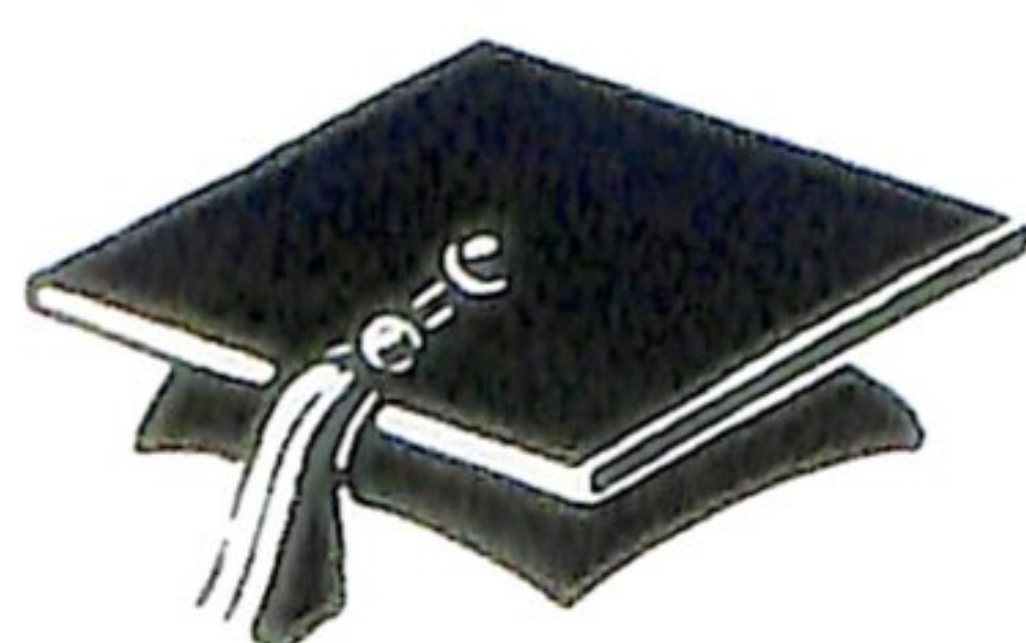
From Mother to Son...

Comes a little note with a lot of love

Shayne,



Sometimes we need reminders in our lives of how much people care. If you ever get that feeling I want you to remember this... I love you Son. Beyond words that can even begin to tell you how much. I hold you and your happiness within my heart each and every day. I am proud of you and so thankful to the years that have given me so much to be thankful for. If I was given a chance to be anything I wanted to become there's nothing I would rather be... than your mother, and there is no one I would rather have as my son.



Love, Mom

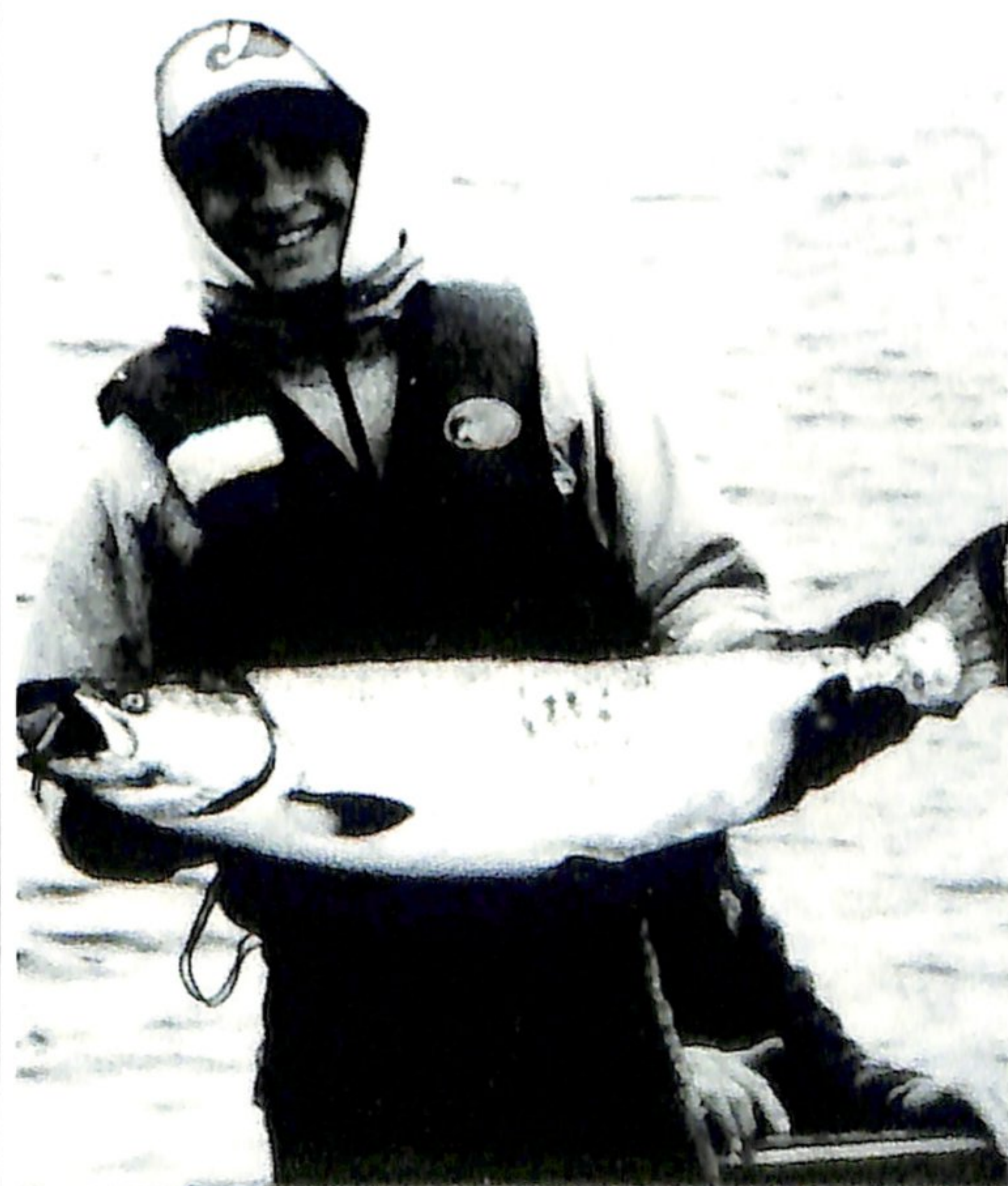
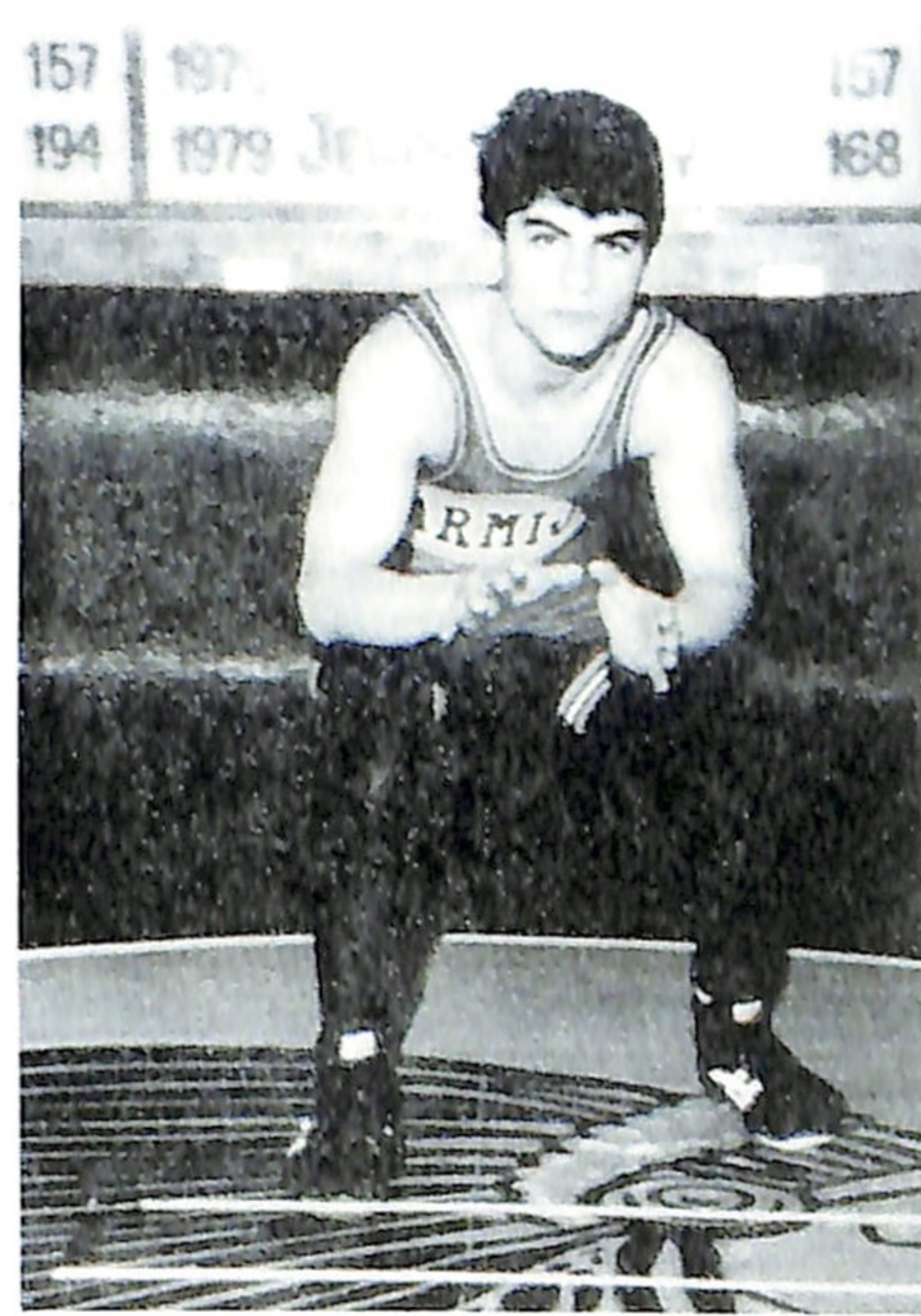
RICKY STEVENS



CONGRATULATIONS..

on all the goals you have already attained! We will always be behind you in your future endeavors. Good Luck "PFC Stevens"!

SEMPER FI
Love, Mom and Dad





Jennifer, Roseanne, Angie, Sasha, and Jeanette-Five people that make up a unique friendship that no one else could dream of having. We are all taking a piece of each other as we take our first steps down our new path. Our memories will live on always...

Cattleman's, Sbarro X-mas, Steve Miller, Lake, the Grad, "I'm not a morning person, be patient!", "It's o.k., I love you!", Santa Cruz, STAY!, H2O freak, teeth chk., Special b-days, Full moon, always caught, #@\$*, Jen's B-B-Q, special lunch bunch, hair bears, 5.0 posse, proms, gossip, "Gosh Smokey, CHILL!", workout trip, Salamander, Raccoon, Alligator, Jelly Fish, Jaguar, Grad Nite, BEST FRIENDS FOR LIFE ... "More Than Words Can Say", It's so hard to say goodbye ...

Nettie

Angie

Jenny

Rosey

Sashie



Jenny,

Right from the start you have filled our hearts with love and a very special pride. You were the sweetest little girl, full of laughter and fun, and you've grown into a warm and wonderful young woman. This seems like the perfect time to tell you just how much we love you.

Love, Mom & Da-da

Kim,

You've come to the end of a major milestone in your life. We are so very proud of you. May God continue to be with you as you begin a new chapter in your life. Dream big! Remember all things are possible with God.



We Love You,

Mom, Ashley, Grandma and Grandpa, Phyllis, Sherril, Donna, Maria, and Starlina



Michelle

and

Melanie



In our future, maybe our paths will go separate directions but that won't ever change the bond that we share and what is in our hearts. We'll always remain the best of friends. Friends like us make life more special. Melanie and Michelle Best Friends Forever "92"



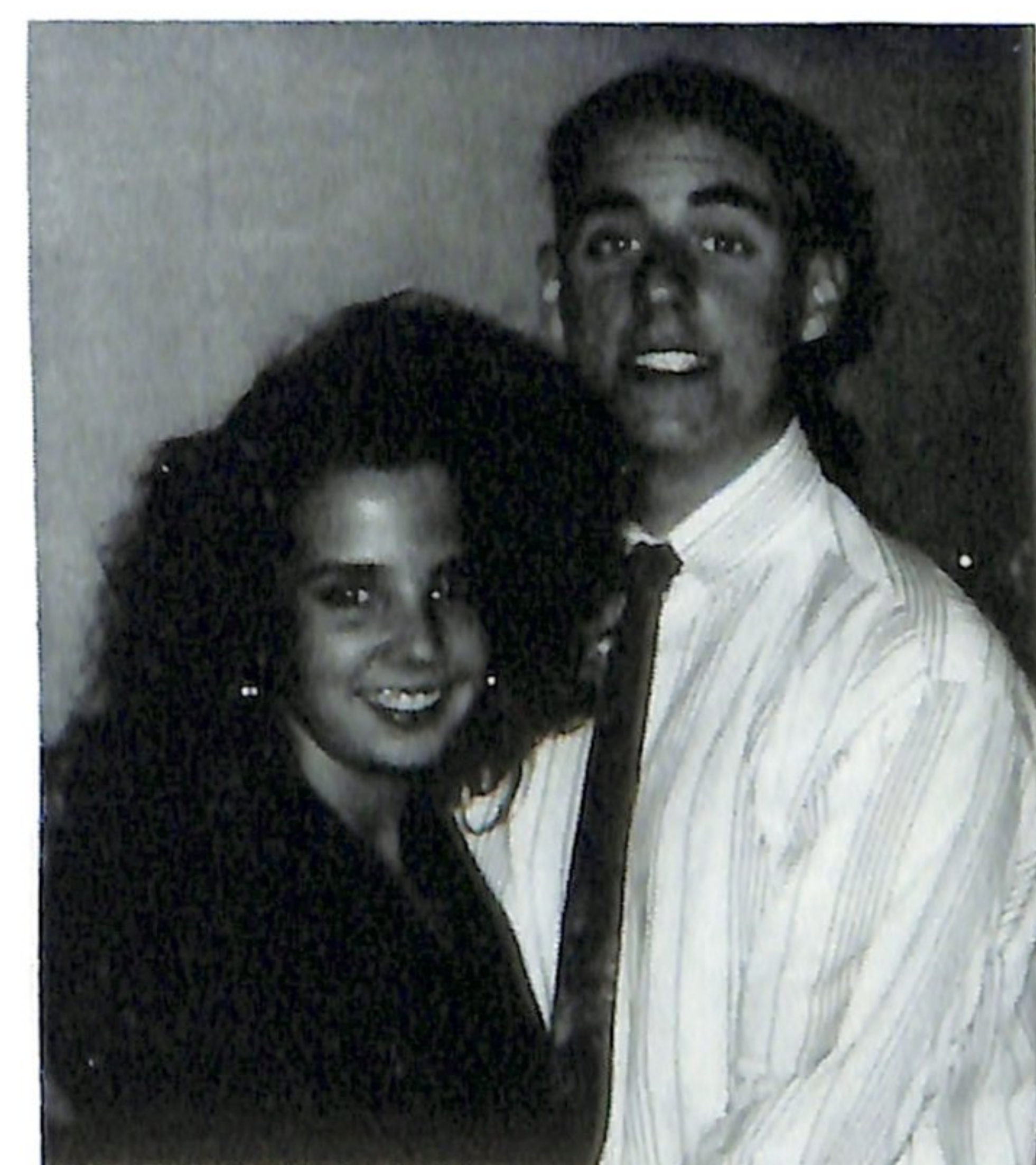
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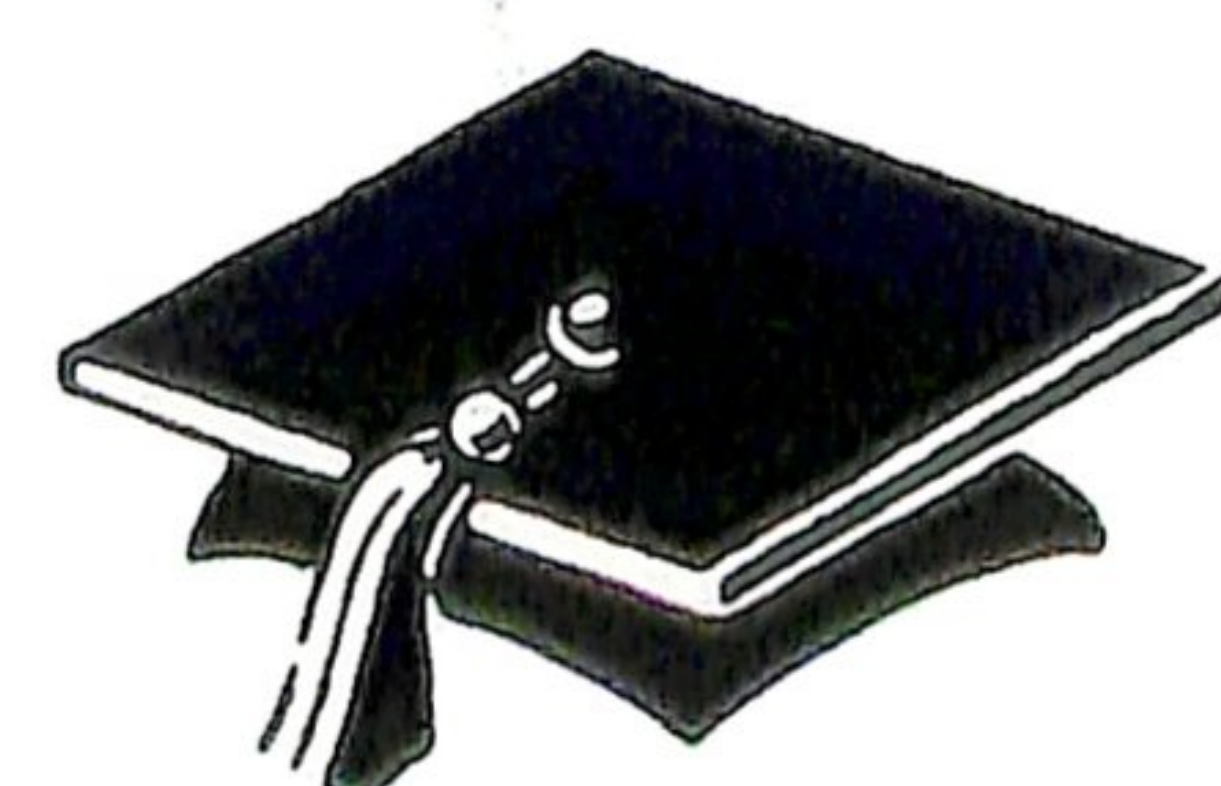
Josh, Joel, Melanie,

I truly never could have wanted or hoped for a more wonderful group of friends. Don't ever forget the good times we've shared or the love I have for you guys! Good luck in the future. I love you dearly, Michelle

Congratulations Sasha



Love you forever
and always
Dad and Mom





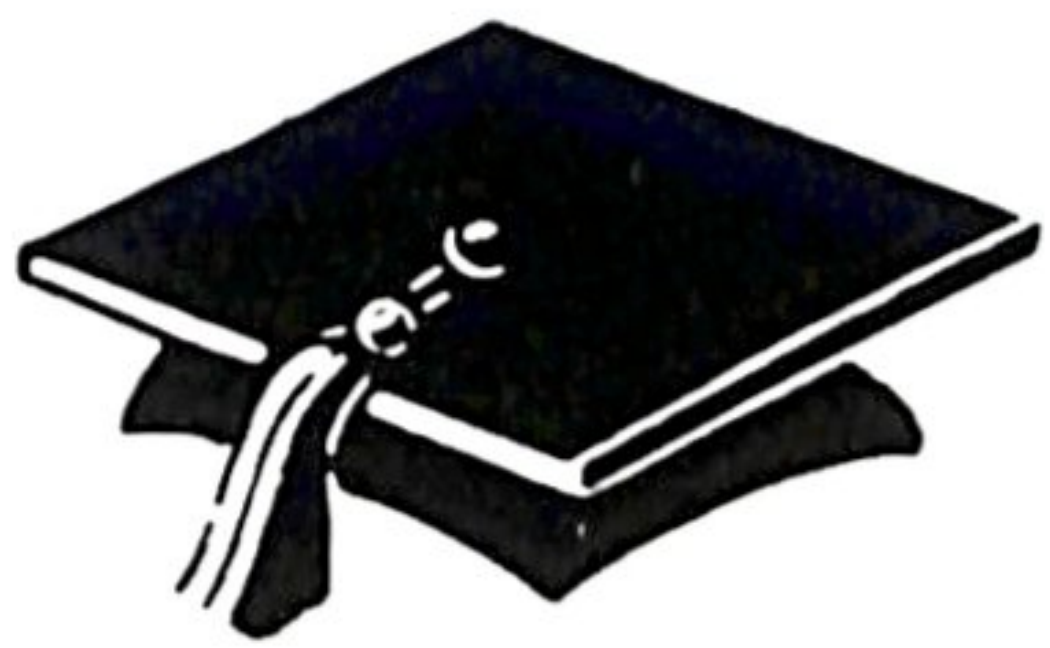
Michelle,

There's nothing more beautiful than our memories of your childhood and nothing more wonderful than seeing the person you've become. You're a shining example of what every parent would want their daughter to be - filled with love & laughter, beauty & goodness, honesty & principles, determination & independence, sensitivity & intelligence, and we're so very proud of you.

You're such an incredibly special person. You have a sincere inner beauty that most people will never have in a lifetime. Be proud of yourself. Follow your dreams and attain your goals. Your life is yours to build as you choose, and we hope it's a wonderful life.

Always know how much we love and adore you.

Mom & Dad



Greg,
You've done so much
for me, you'll always
be in my heart.

Sherie,
I hope that all our fu-
ture dreams come true.
I love you!



Congratulations
Denise!

You're on your
way! May this be
the first of many
achievements.
Love, Mom & Dad



Not only are you my
wonderful sister, but
my best friend as
well. We have a spe-
cial relationship not
many sisters can
share. I'm just glad
you're the sister I
share it with I love
you and Congratula-
tions!!! Love, Jean-
nette

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Christina Vidalis/ aka-Chrissy-Butt, Krism Kola,
We love you so much, our beautiful daughter
We wish that you could see yourself as other see you. A
sensitive, pretty, loving, intelligent person who has all
the qualities necessary to become a very successful and
beautiful woman. We look forward to the day when you
look in the mirror and for the first time in your life you
see the extraordinary person THAT YOU REALLY
ARE and you realize how much YOU ARE LOVED
AND APPRECIATED. Yes Christina, you are our
beautiful daughter and we are so proud of you!
Forever our love,
Dad & Mom

Dearest Genis,

I know you've been through some terri-
ble times and trials, especially in the last
two years. But there was never any doubt in
my mind that you would pull through
stronger and wiser than ever. You can ac-
complish anything you set your mind to.
You are a wonderful person and I am so
proud of you. My life has been blessed
because of you.

Mom



Misha,

I am so proud of you. I know that there were hard
times in the past four years and there may be more
to come. Just keep a positive attitude and you'll go
far.

Congratulations with love,
Mom

Tamisha,

Your future is as bright as the light in your eyes.
Never forget that the world is your oyster. Always
remember that if you trust in God, you will never
walk alone.

May God Bless You,
Dad

Congratulations Tamisha! You have been the most
thoughtful, compassionate granddaughter that we
could ever hope for. We wish you success and a
prosperous future. We will love and support you
forever.

Love,
Grandma & Grandpa

Listin' THE Names

As the future becomes the present teens are becoming increasingly concerned with the social issues that force the world today.

To demonstrate the concern that does exist about these issues, someones view has been expressed for each letter of the index.

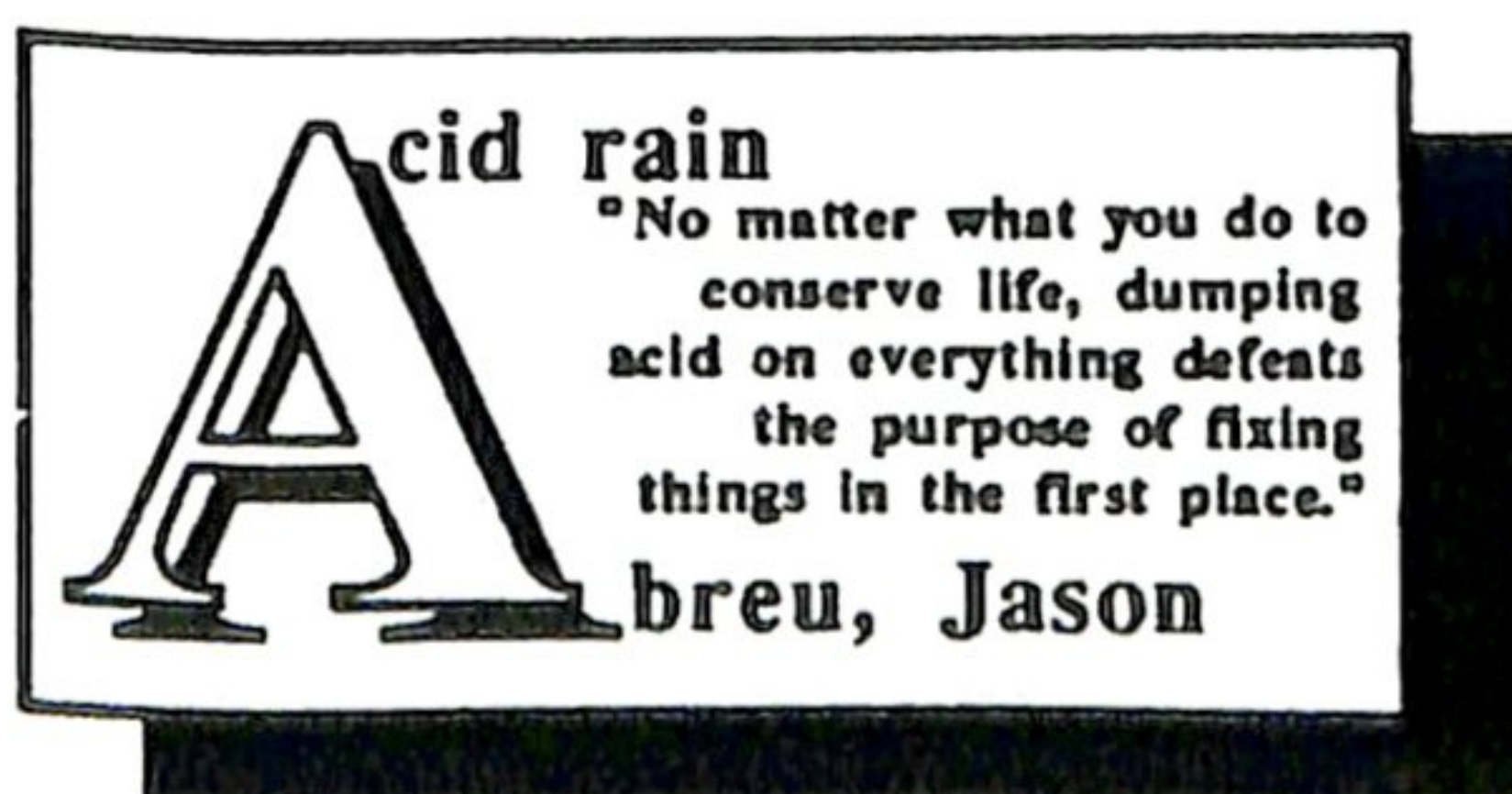
"The goal (of doing the index this way) was to show that teens are aware of the issues that dominate our world today," said Christina Vidalis.

We hope that by viewing this index you will not only be able to find the topics that interest you, but that you will also use it as a guide, a wake up call if you will.

These few pages are a permanent record of today's social issues! In the years to come this time capsule of information will become a reflective resource to gauge whether or not our community is really "Settin' the Pace".

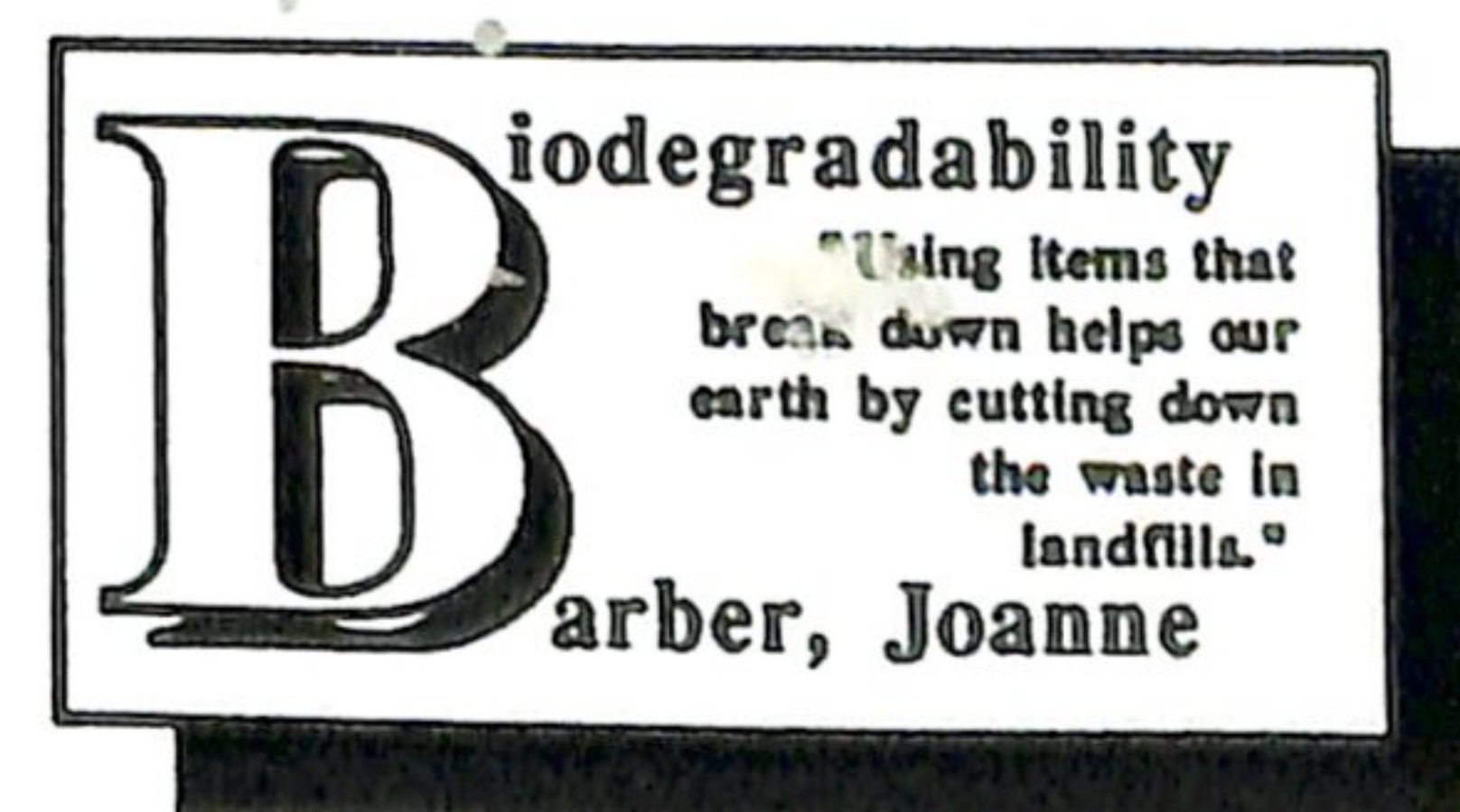
Killing Dolphins by Jeffery Ketelson

Some will swim
Some will crawl
Protect all creatures
Big and small
From distruction
Caused by man
Commit yourself
To follow a plan
To shoot only
With a camera lens
And help to save
Our aquatic friends.



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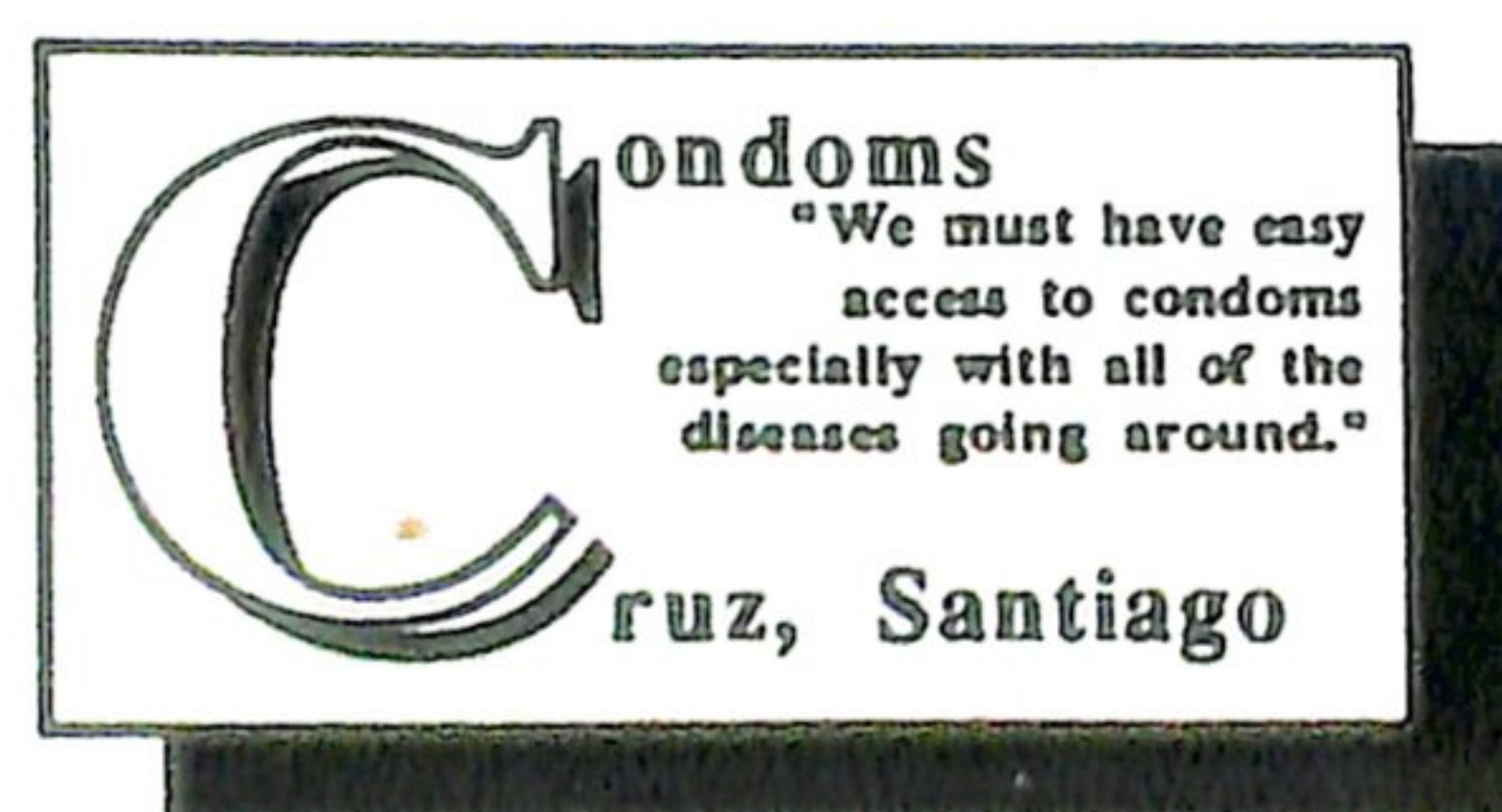


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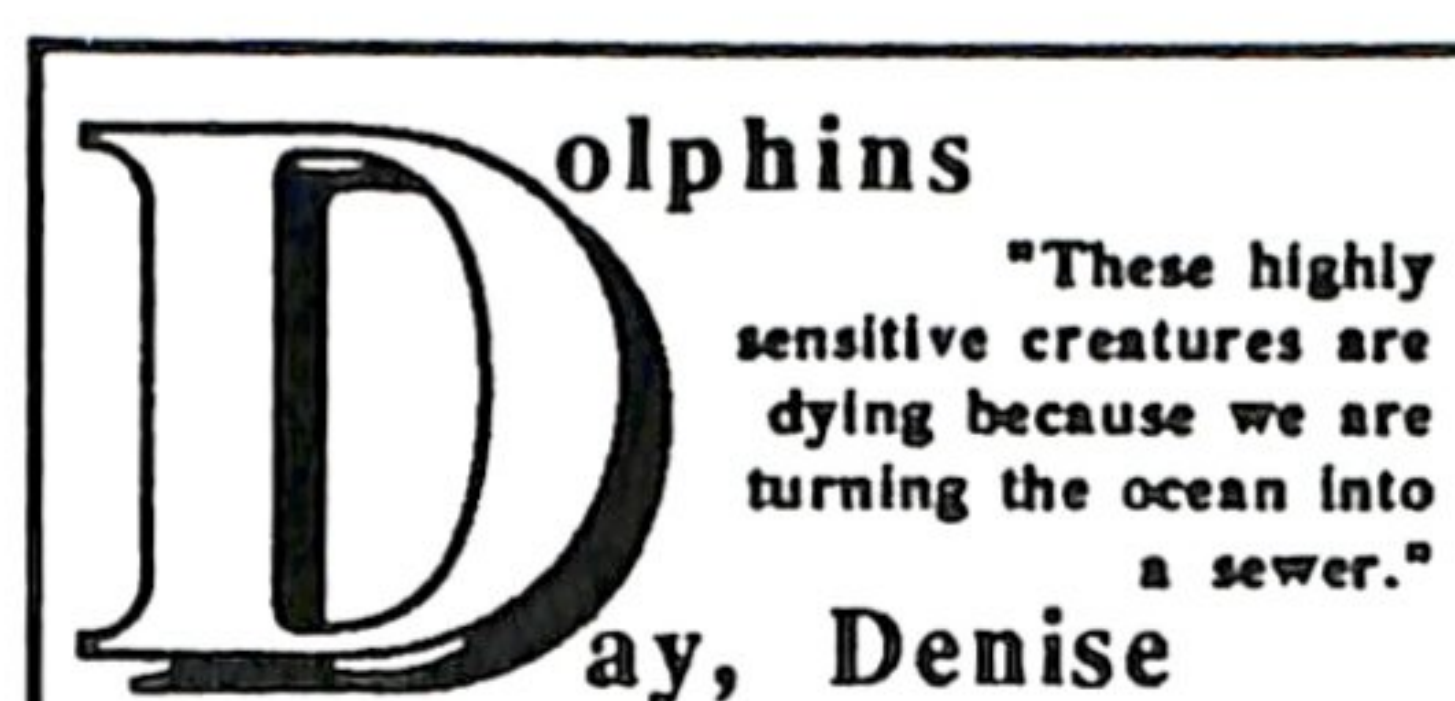
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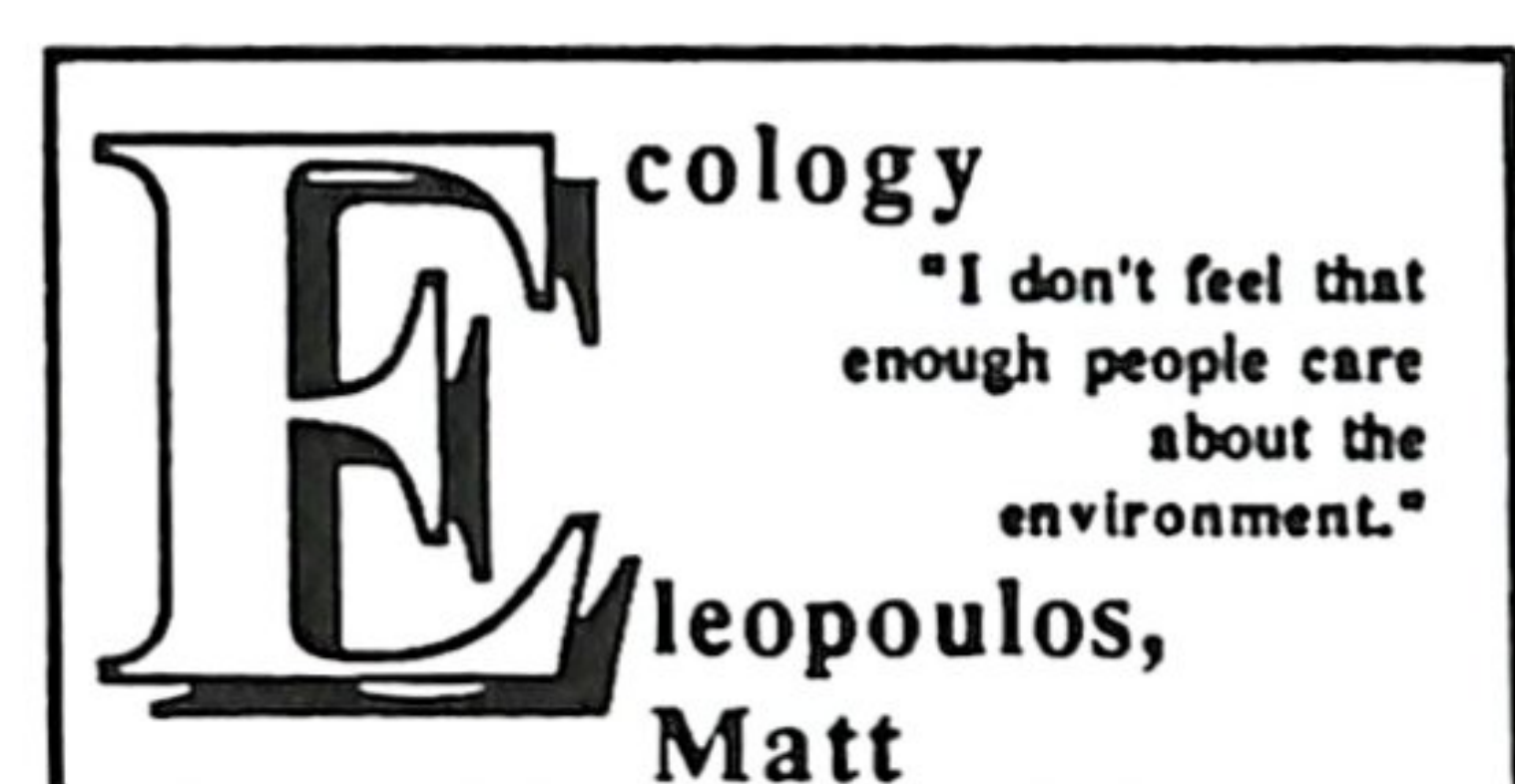
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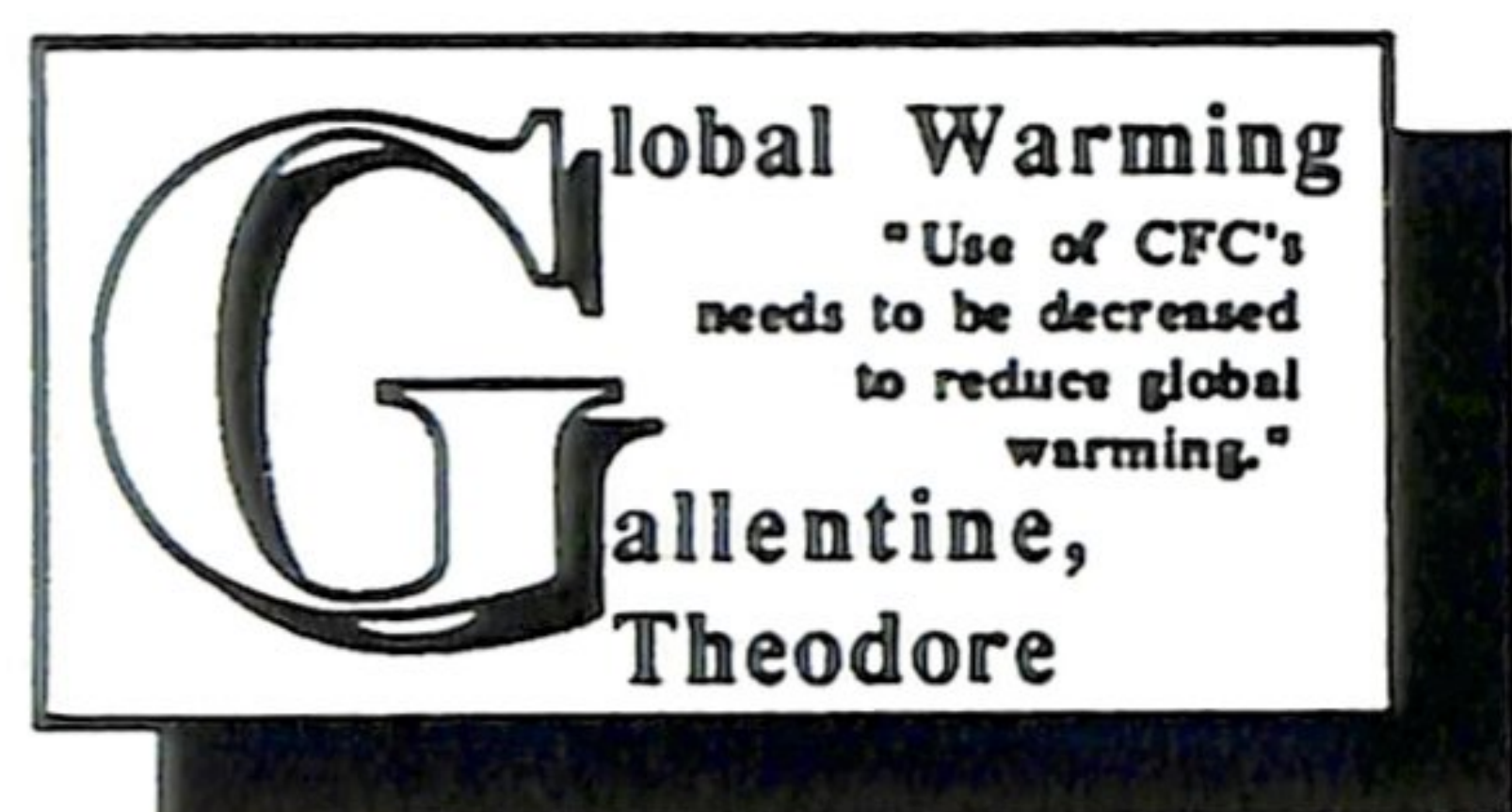


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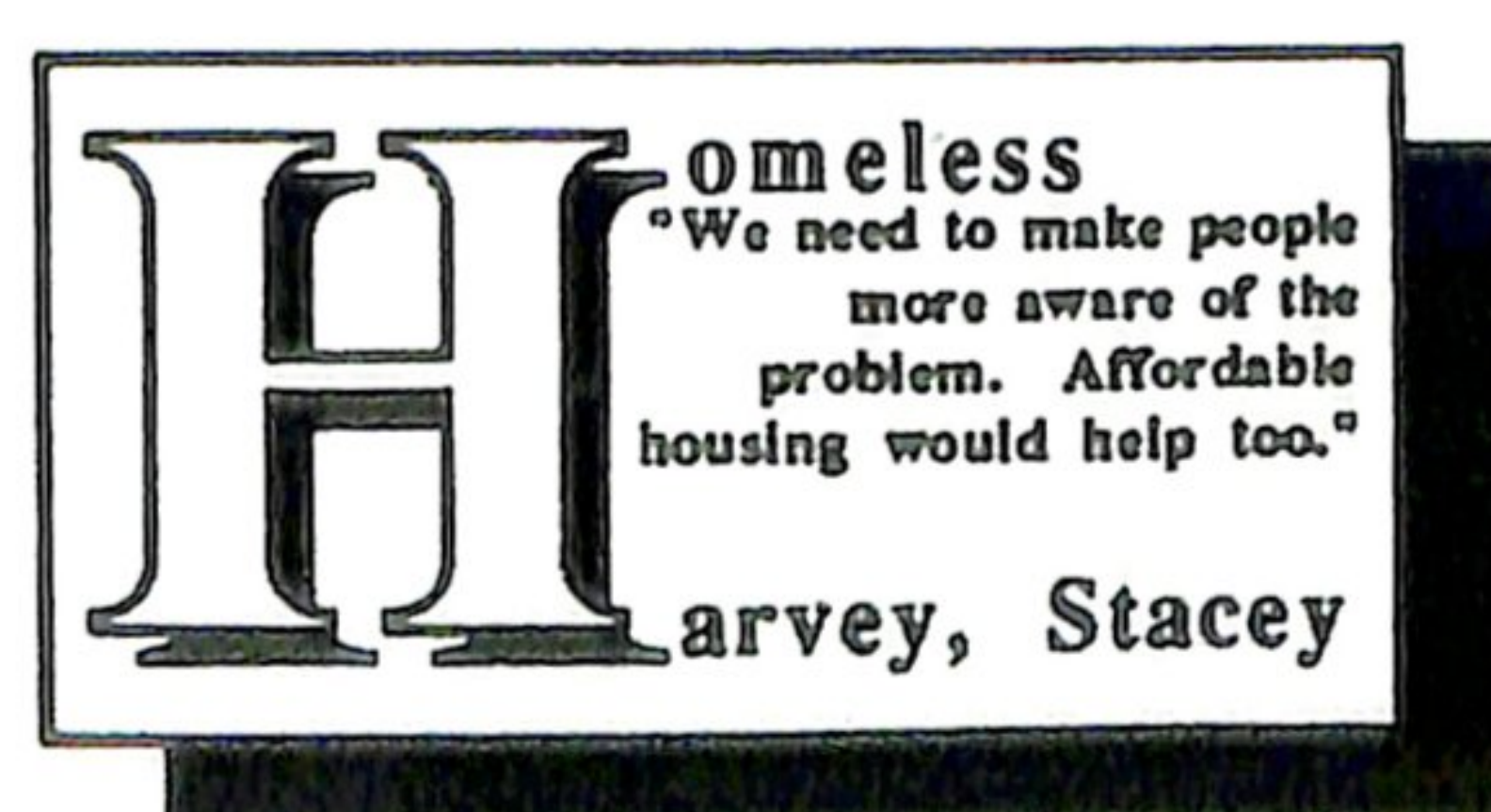
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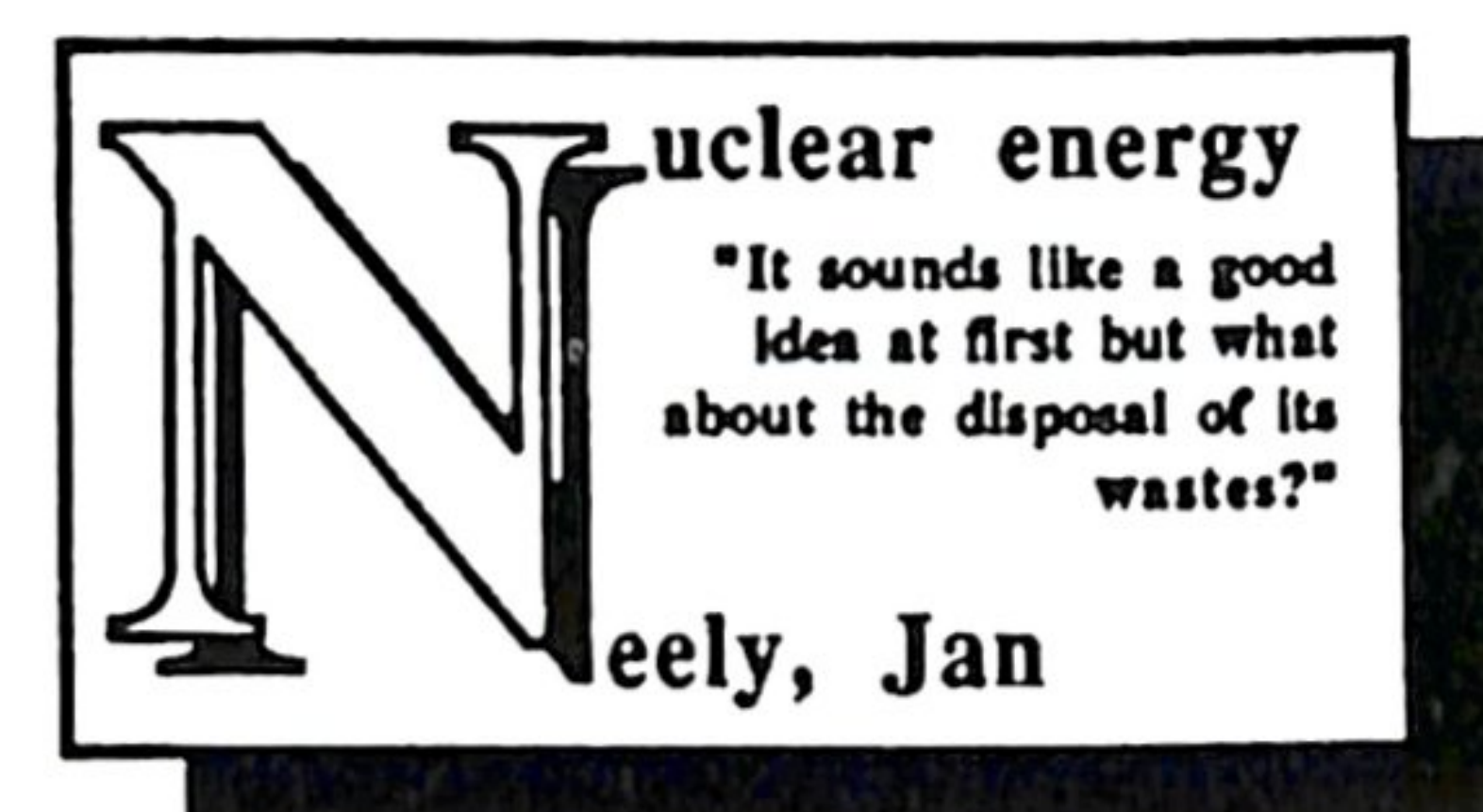
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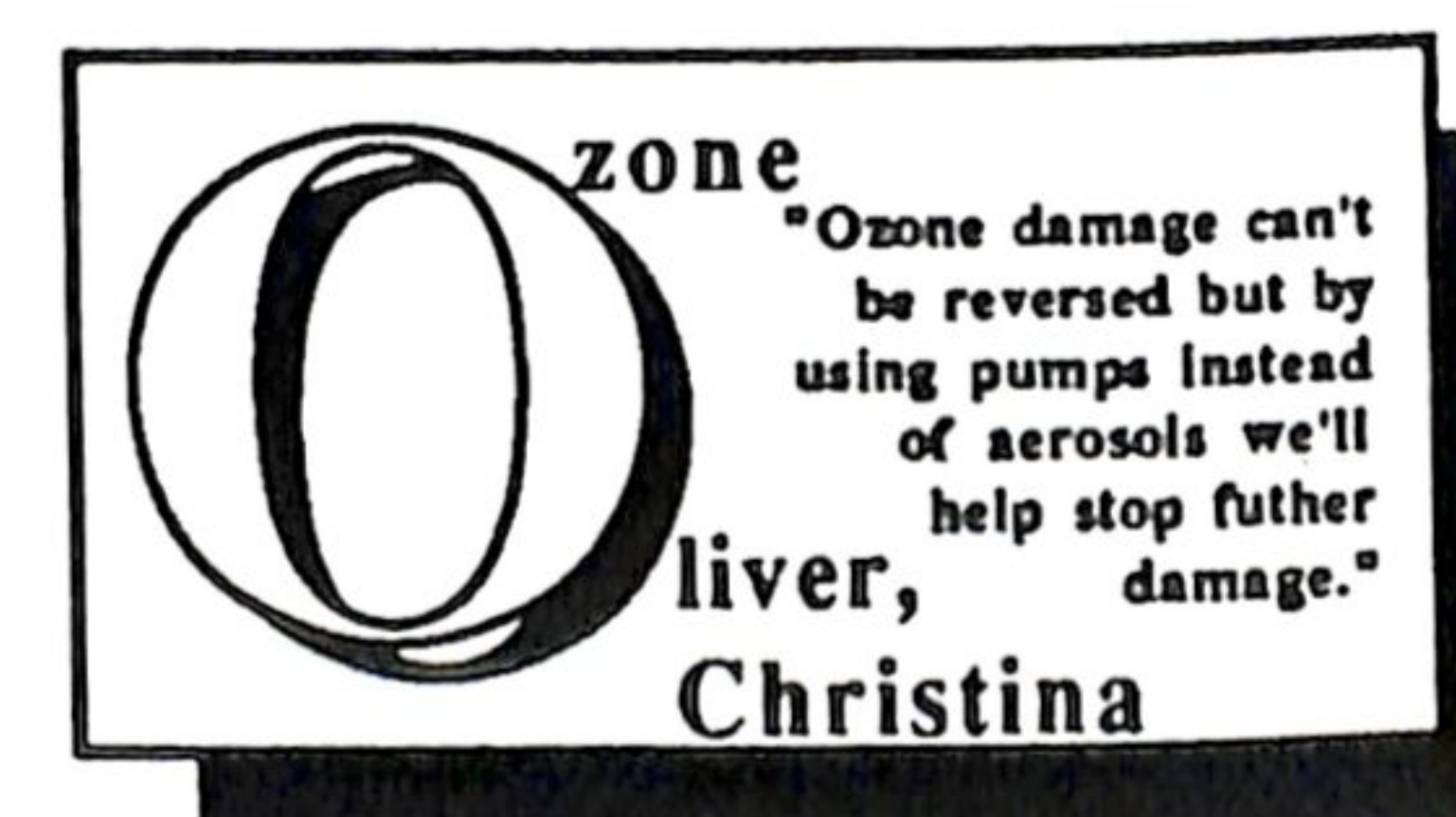
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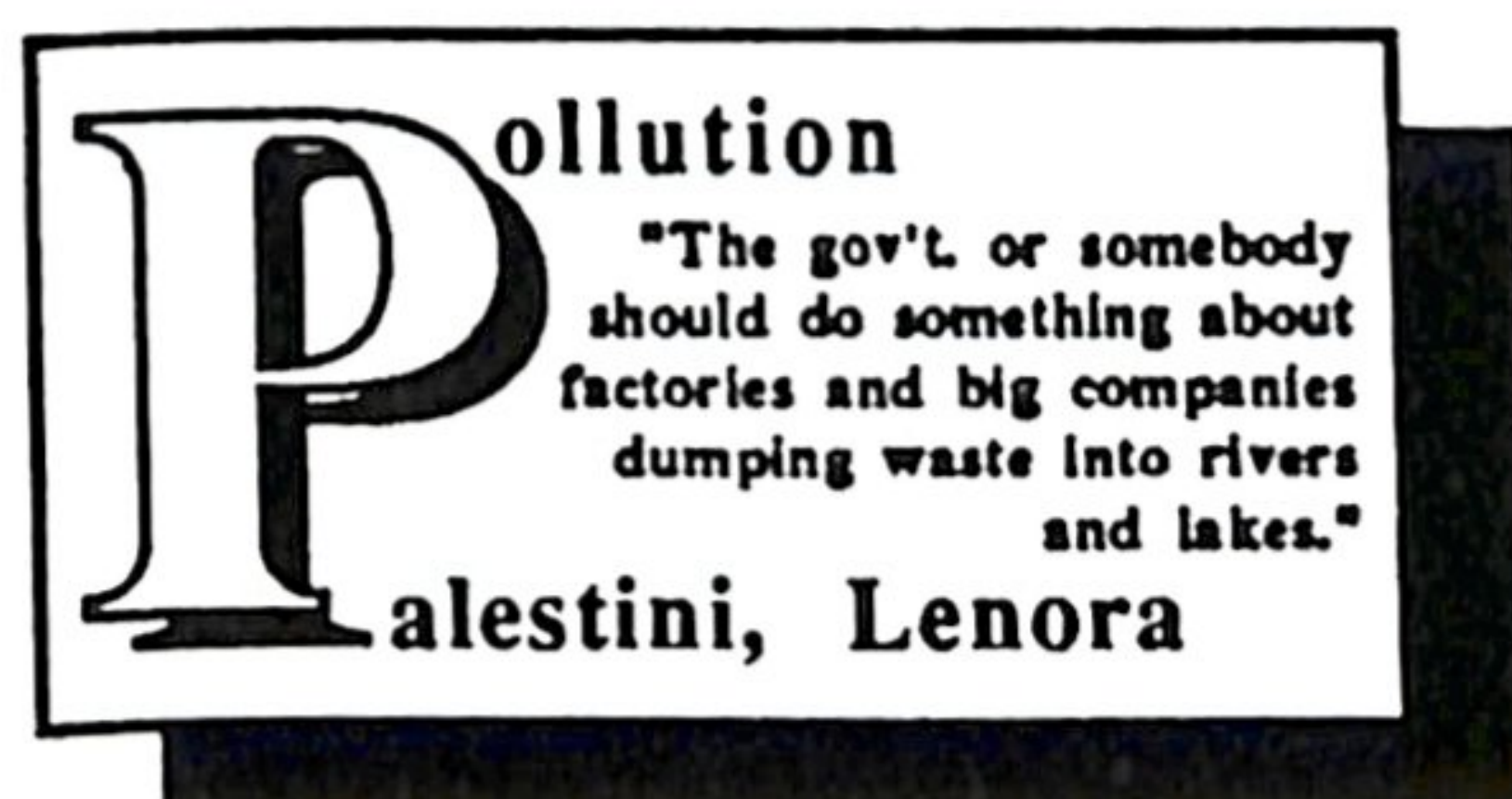


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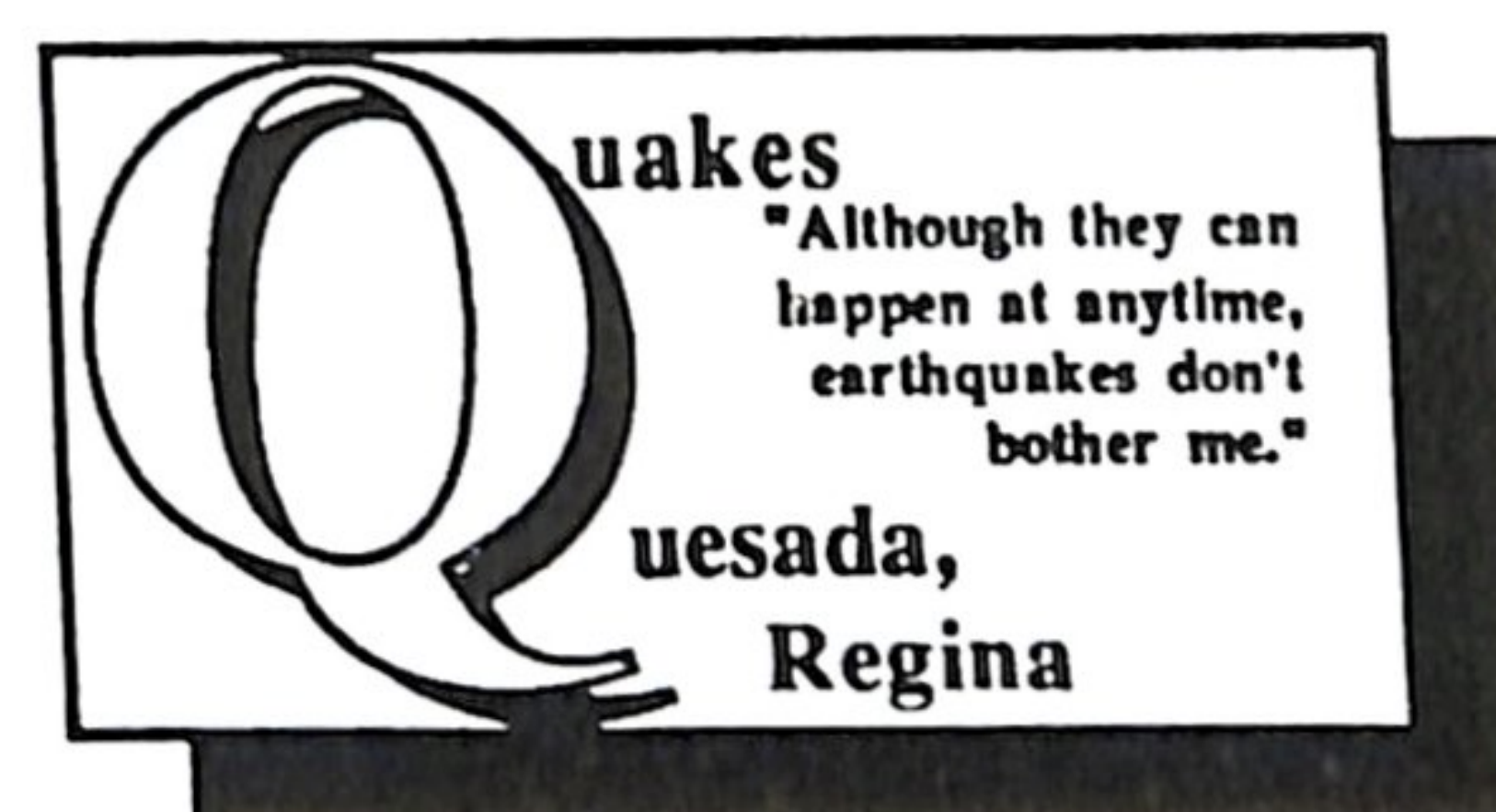
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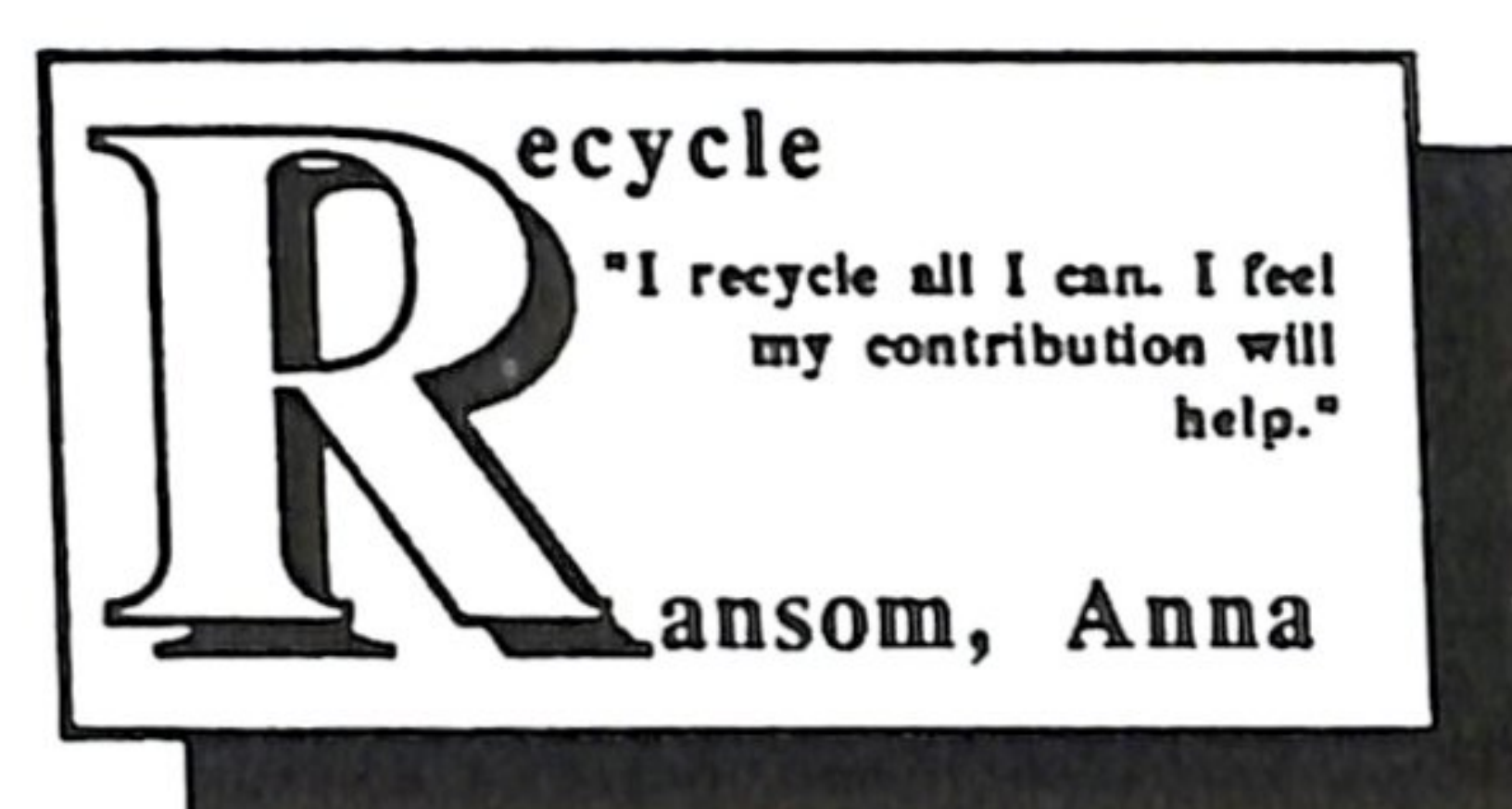
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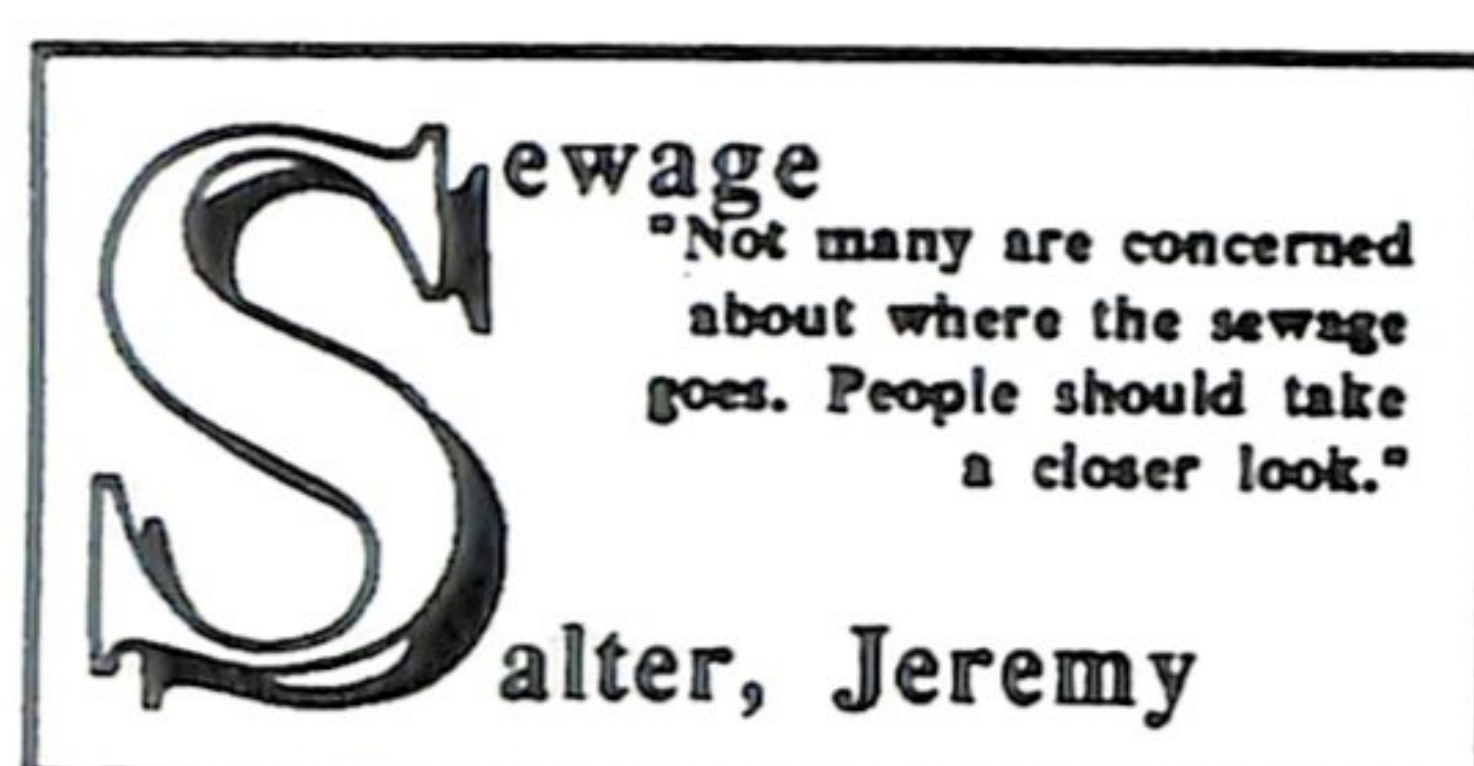
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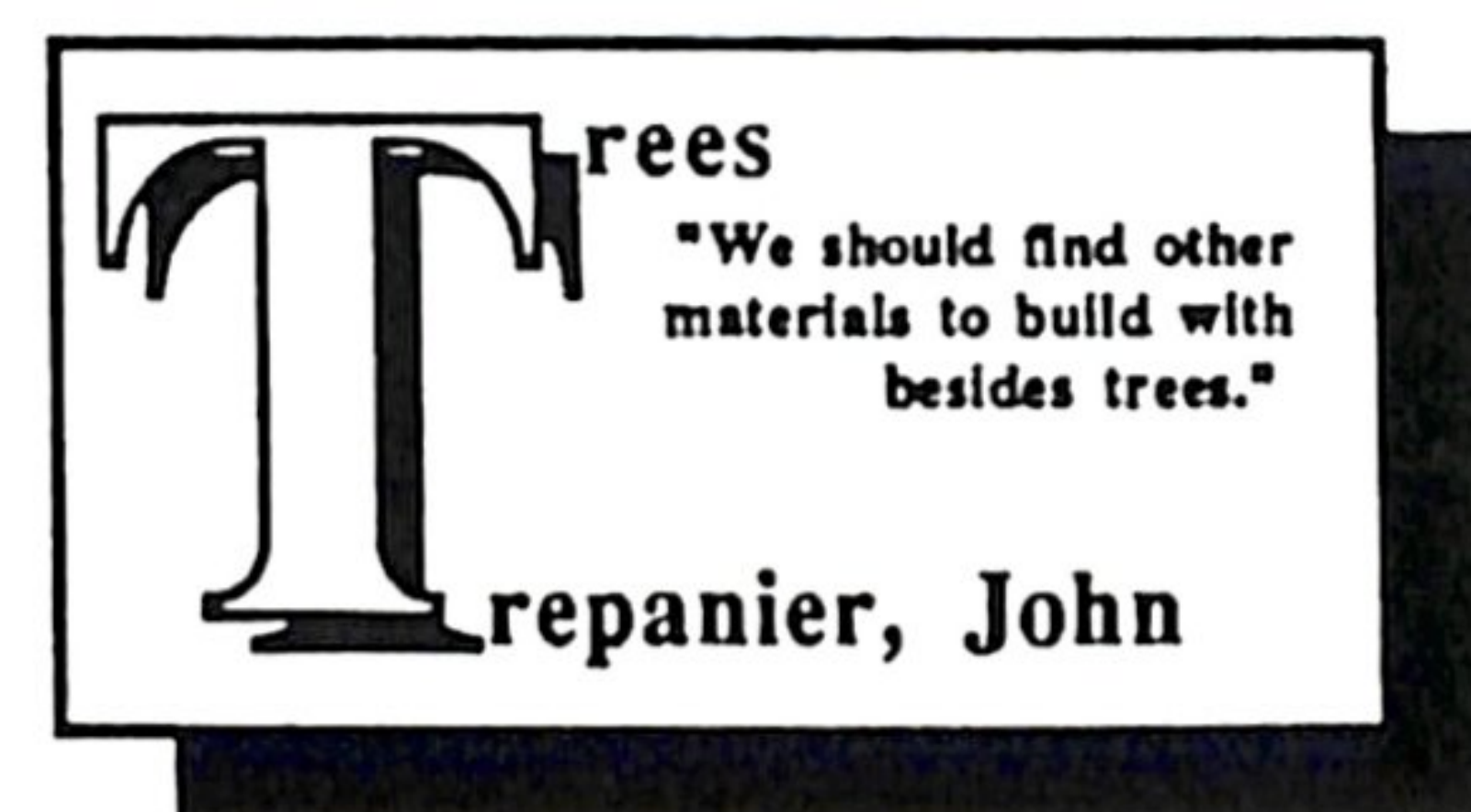


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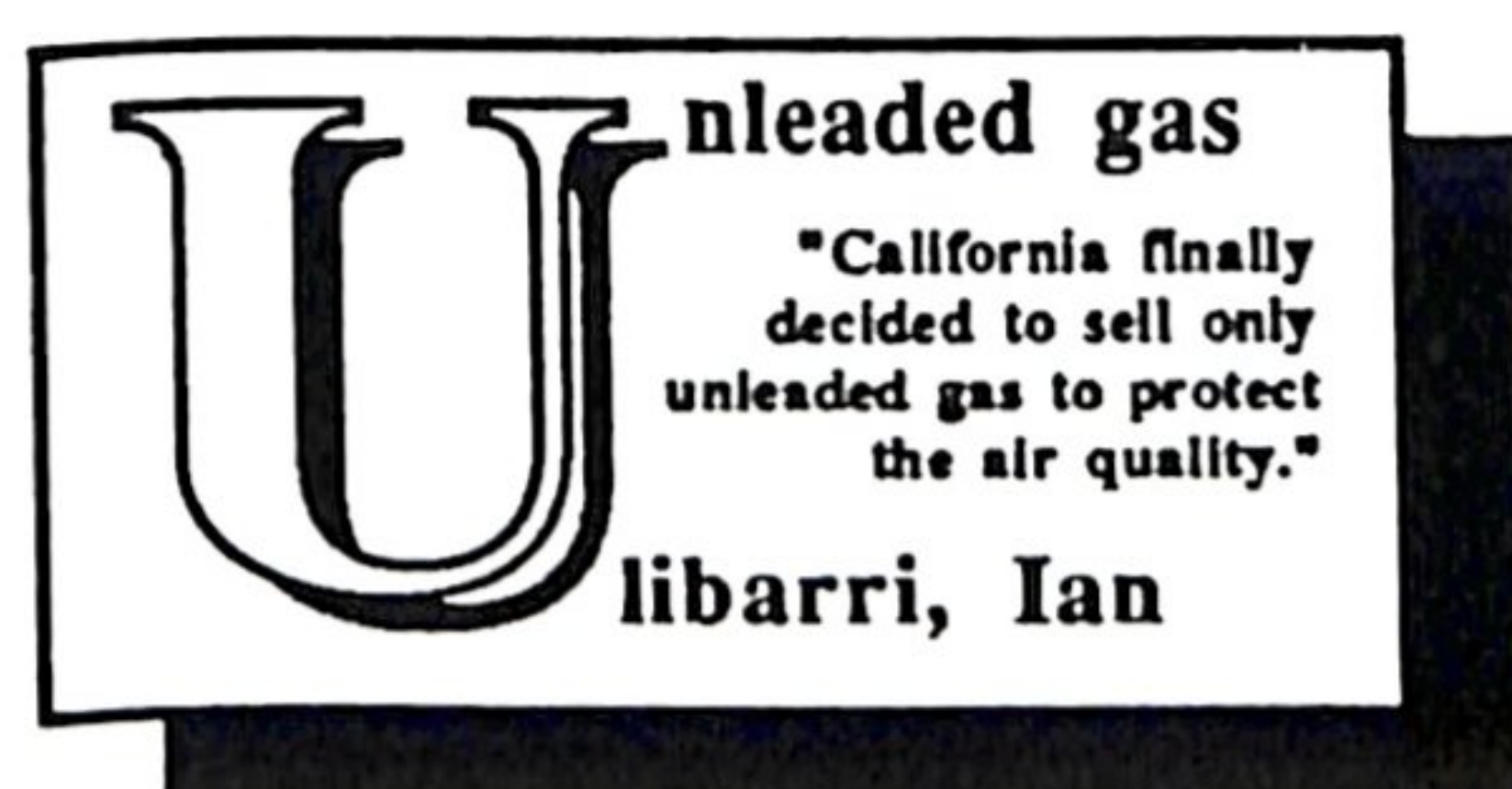
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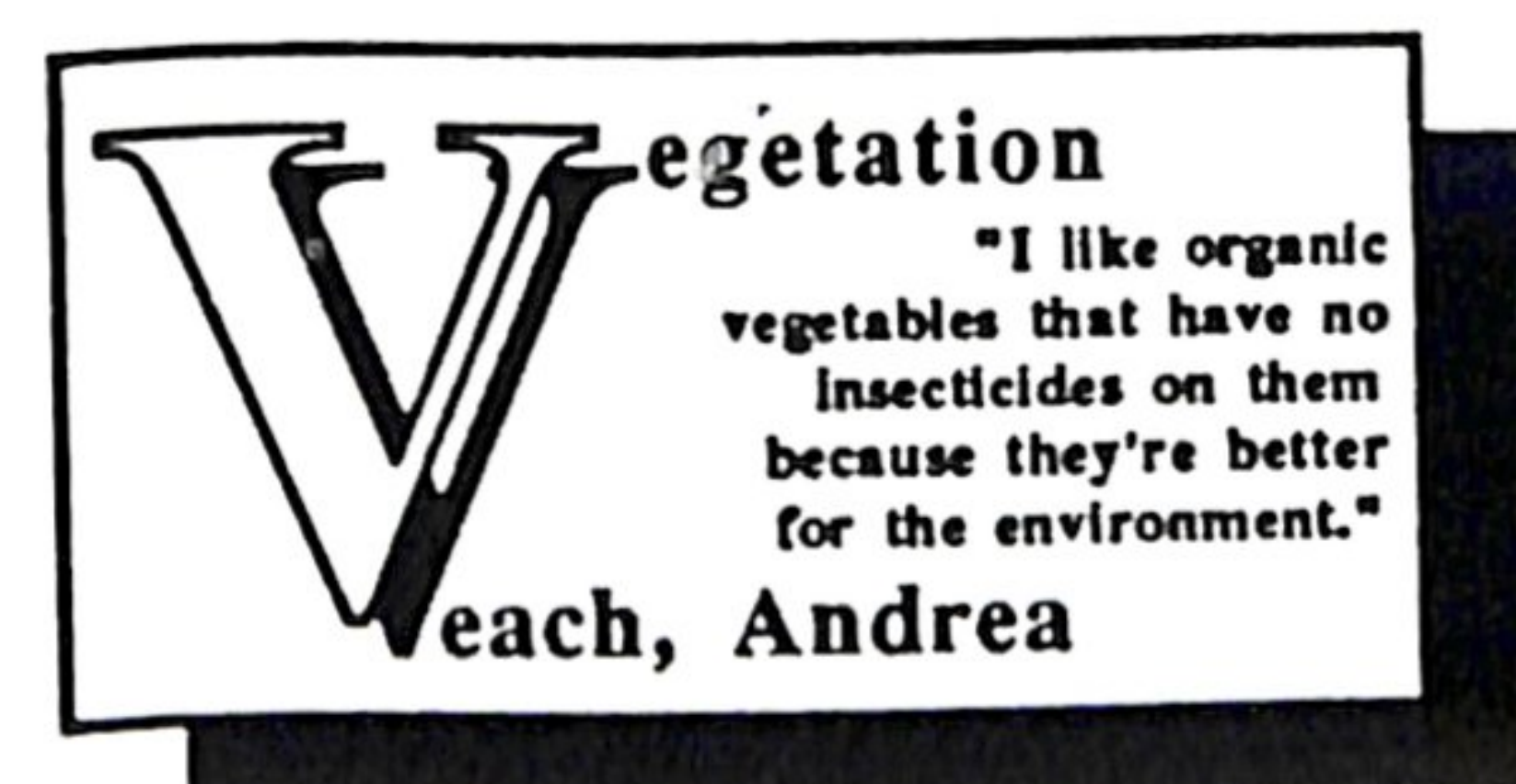


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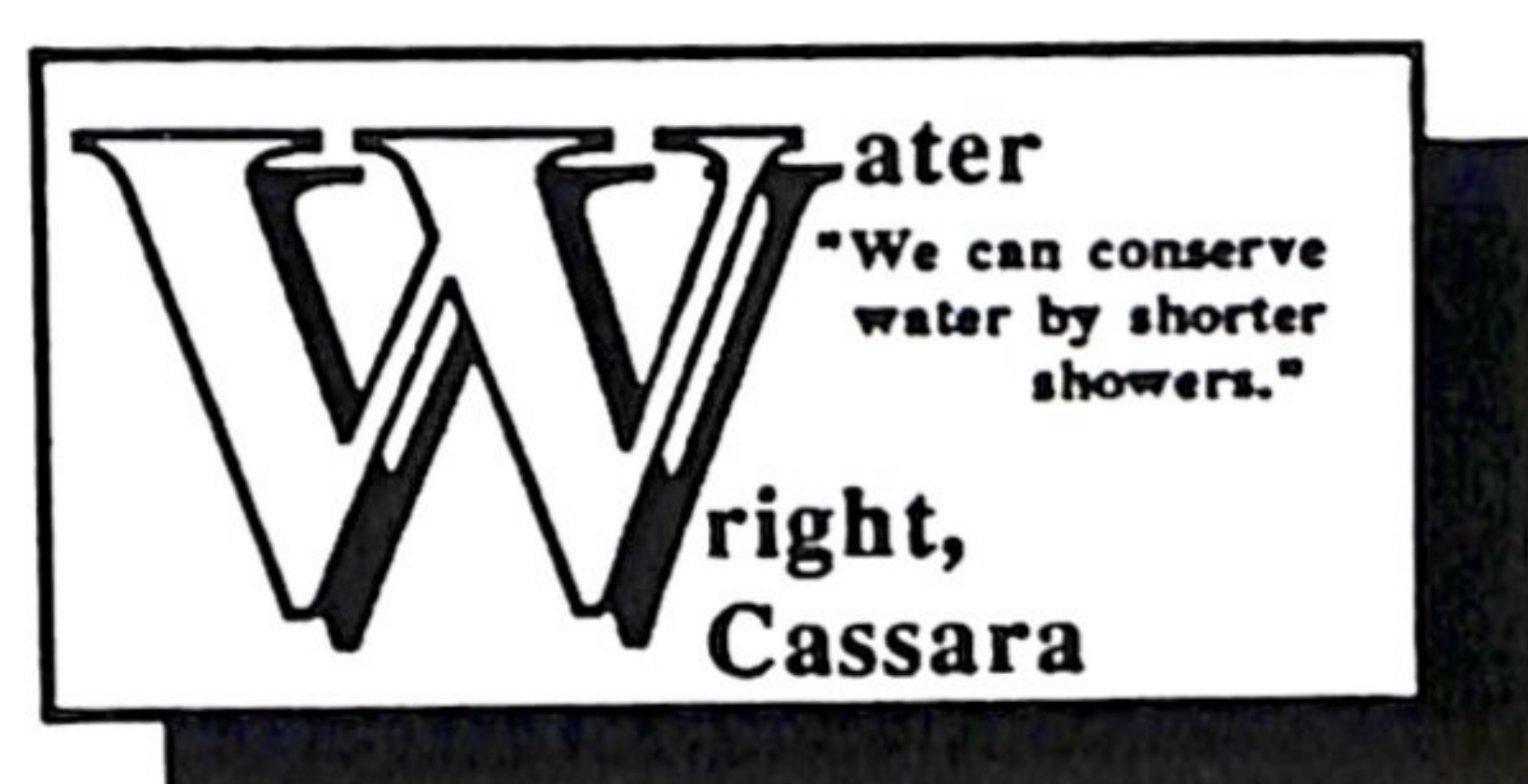


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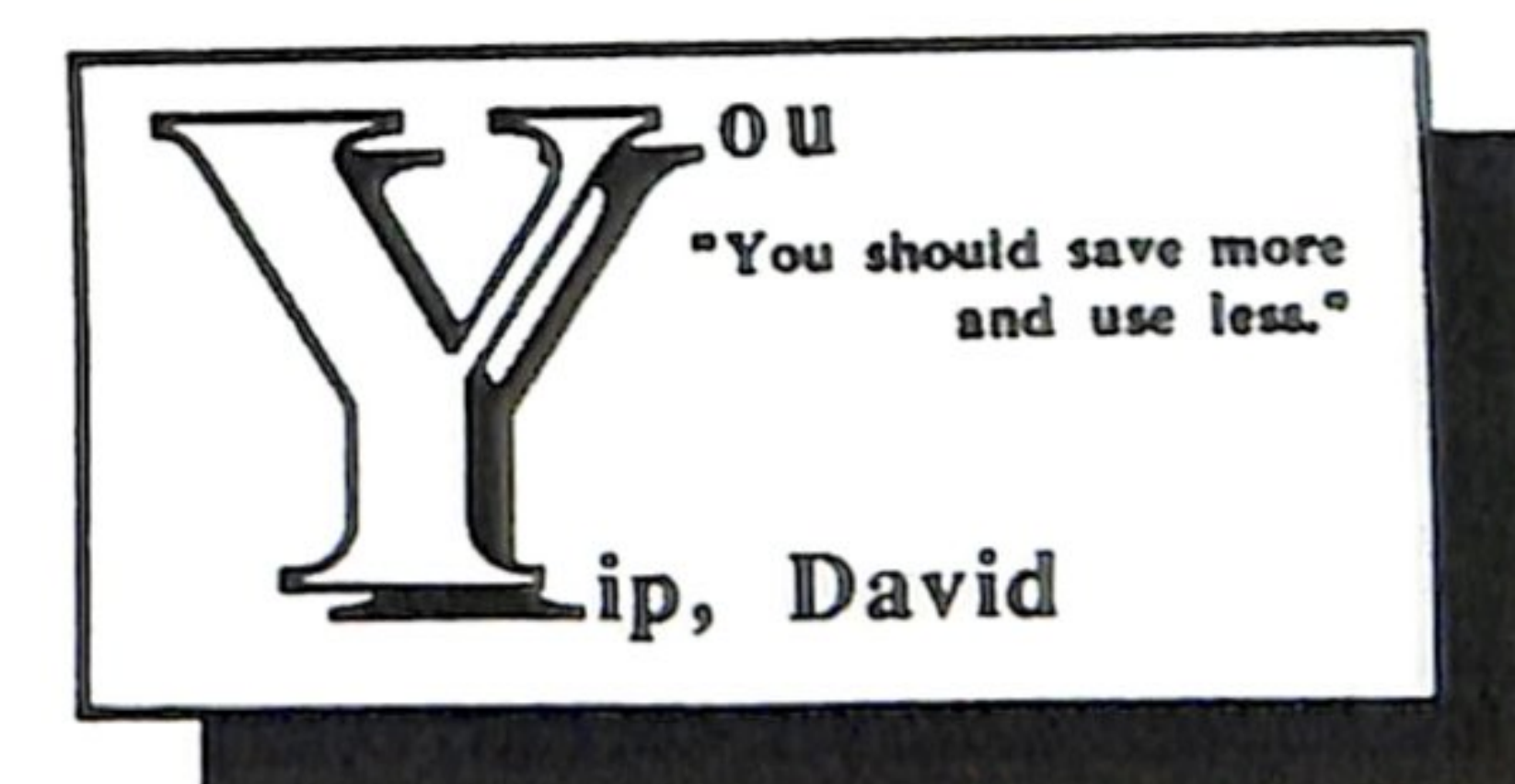
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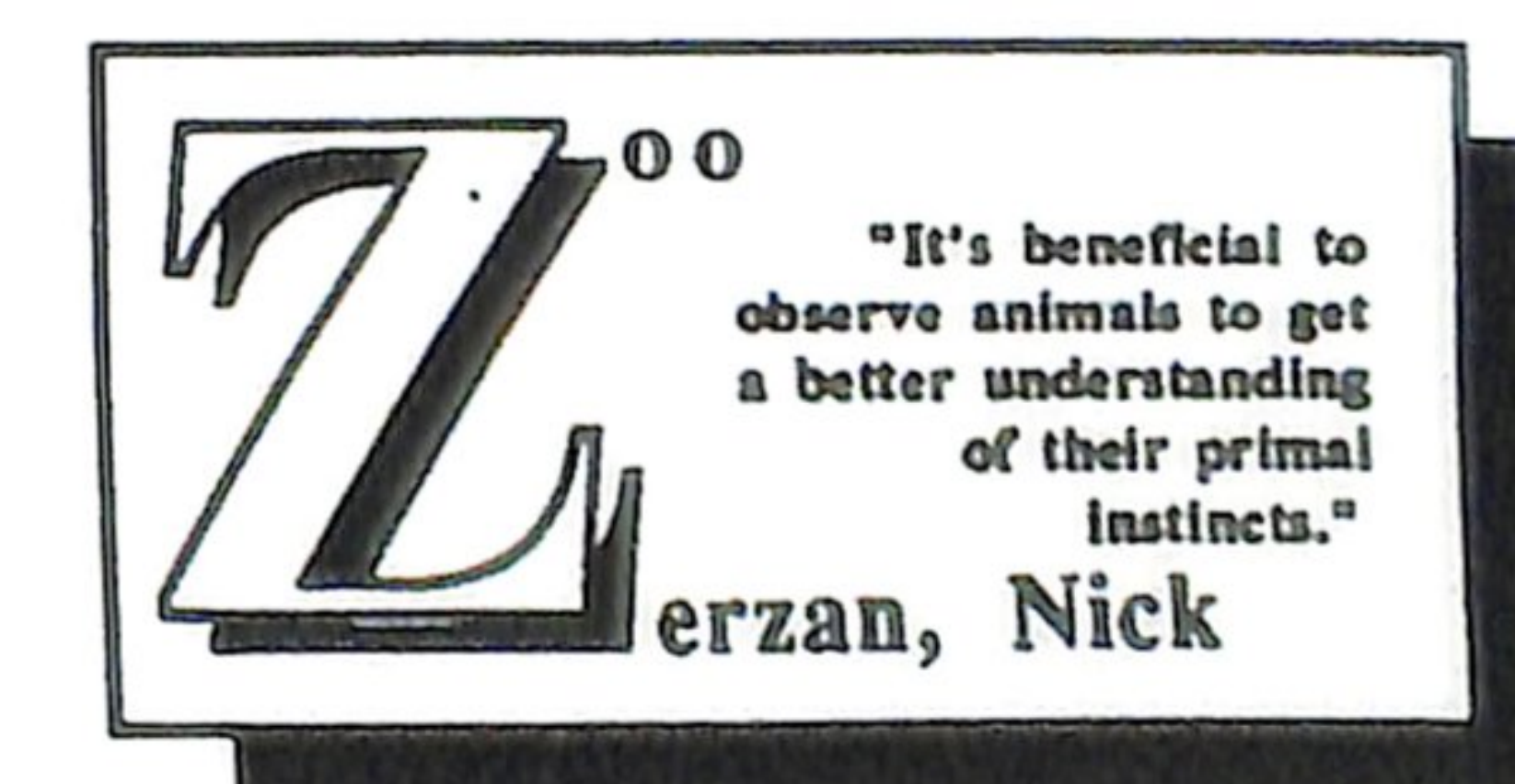
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Putting it Together



Summer marked the beginning of a new La Mezcla. Our team of eight that attended the Bay Area Yearbook Seminar at the California Maritime Academy pulled together to win third place in creative design against fifty other schools. Tears of pride and joy for our hard work set a perfect beginning for the year.

When deadlines arrived, nothing else on earth mattered but the book. Countless hours after school, away from our workplaces, missing dinner, forgetting our homework and working on Sundays until midnight became the extent of the dedication necessary. The worst part came when families forgot who their children were. However Mrs. Merrick's warning, "Take a picture of your self now and put it on the refrigerator, because pretty soon your families will forget who you are," became an unavoidable reality.

Terms like captions, layout and body copy replaced the vocabulary we spoke before yearbook. Words such as these were all that were heard for many months. All involved remember the times of stress and frustration, but especially the joy when the first deadline was completed on time.

Events like the East Bay fire storm brought the staff together like a family. The sales pitch using fortune cookies will never be forgotten. Also the process of receiving pizza through the window was a ritual sacred to all our stomachs. Overall, it is remarkable that the room remains intact after what we put it through. None of that matters anymore now that the book is done, we can breathe a sigh of relief because we made it. To the La Mezcla staff we would like to say; Thanks for the memories. It was an experience we will never forget.

-The Editors



The word that best describes the Yearbook Staff is "family." We've laughed, cried, yelled, and became just like brothers and sisters over the course of the year. Working towards a common goal brings people together in a way that nothing else can. The pride resulting when previous set limits are pushed to new bounds caused a strong bond amongst the team.

We the staff found that every problem could be overcome with mutual support. This was the story of our staff for this year.

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◆ The process of photo cropping was one of the aspects of compiling a yearbook. "I was trying to explain the importance of photo assignments," said Justin Cheung. He described the process to Ms. Linda Mahoney, Ms. Rita Stasi, Ms. Cindy Madson and Ms. Jean Kennedy, who were guests at the yearbook reception in October.



◆ The layout is the first thing that needs to be done when starting a page. Mr. Hambright listened attentively to John Walker's explanation about layout design. "Many people think that the pictures and stories are finished before the layout is done, but it's not like that," John said.



Colophon

La Mezcla, Volume 101, "Settin' The Pace" was lithographed by Jostens Printing and Publishing in Visalia, California. The press run was 1375 copies with a trim size of 9x12 with pages printed on 80 pound high gloss, recycled paper. The book included 4 signatures and 1 multiple of process color photography and 16 pages of spot color. The cover design by Sam Batista consisted of a custom lithographed laminated design including a 30% Marble background, 60% Teal 320, and a process color combination using two screen of 100% Red and 30% Blue. The type styles used were Souvenir Tempe Bold, Mistral, and Helvetica reversed. Marble tones were used on the cover, dividers, Sports, Academics, and Closing sections. Basic ink color was black and type style was 45 Times Roman. The body copy was 10 pt. and caption was 8 pt. Headline style include Century Bold Condensed in the Sports section. Specialized art headline designed in the Sports section done by Tiffany Martindale. An 8 column format was used throughout the book. Folio Tab, Up Close, Sidelines, and Shadow Boxes, Opening and Closing Section, Divider pages and Index art were all specialized art done by Sam Batista. Senior Portraits were uniform for the first time in many years, courtesy of Mary Cornelison Photography.

Time Out



“There wasn't a morning this year that I didn't wake up with the thought of "ART A page 119," or "CA 1289". A few times I thought that I would really loose it, so did the staff. But everytime that I got too crazy, I found myself always making a comeback for the best.

-Sam Batista



“I didn't know what I was getting into when I took this job- the late nights, stress, frustration, and pizza (which I don't like anymore). Although there was some rough times we did O.K. and the book, thank goodness, was finished.

-Keith McNeil



“When I was asked to be co-editor I wasn't sure I could handle the job. Just like all of the other editors, I had those major stress attacks. Overall, the staff was always there for me when I was in need. Thank You.

-Becky Estrada



“Yearbook was the perfect addition to my last year in high school. Stressful is the best word to describe deadlines and the challenge in general. The countless hours in class, after school and on Saturdays were all worth it. For me, camp will always remain the best!

-Jenea Smith



“La Mezcla Staff- Every challenge was met and overcome with enthusiasm by all of you. Team Yearbook was more than an idea, it became a reality because of your individual commitment to a common goal, to be the best! I am very proud of you all-it was truly a wonderful year. -

Ellen Merrick

Thank You

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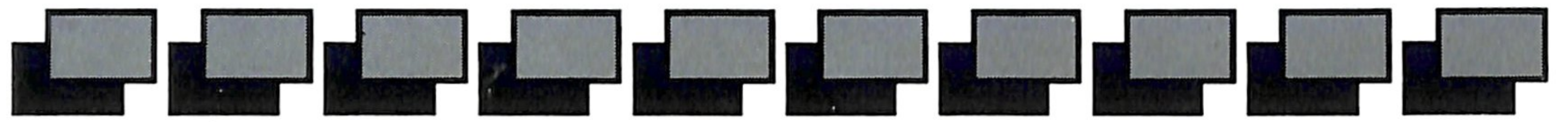
We would like to thank you all for your help, understanding; and tolerance throughout the year.

La Mezcla Staff

Winning!

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Race



When the first bell of the school year rang, students rushed to their class to see their old friends. The freshman were a bit nervous about their new school, it was just another year for the sophomores and juniors, and the seniors were going to soon embark on a new beginning in life. The student body displayed so much spirit that it was clear the school's second century was off to a great start.

They braved such obstacles as finals, term papers, overcrowding, and the new double lunch schedule. Events like the East Bay Firestorm and Magic Johnson's testing HIV positive touched our hearts and made us stop and think about who we are and what we have.

As always, as fast as the school year begun, it eventually came to an end. Students said goodbye to the books, the early mornings, and their favorite teachers. Soon the doors were closed and it was time for the seniors to make way for a new class and head towards a new world.

◆ It is finally over. Just like school, winter, games, and days, everything ends. From the cheering of his friends and classmates, Marlon Flournoy finished his race way ahead of the others. "After I pulled out in front of the other runners, all I could think about was pouring on the speed and winning the race," Marlon said.



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